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## Churchgoers Killed In Bus Accident

Weirton, Virginia, Apr. 29.

Five persons were killed and more than 40 others injured today when a bus loaded with churchgoers ran wild down a steep hill and crashed into a concrete retaining wall.

Weirton police said the brakes of the vehicle, operated by the Pittsburgh and Weirton Bus Company, apparently failed about half-way down the mile-long grade and it began picking up speed.

Joseph Kraini, 35, the driver, moved in and out of traffic, his horn blasting, as he attempted to bring the heavy vehicle under control. He was unable to make the right angle turn at the foot of the hill and the bus crashed into the concrete wall.

Kraini was killed in the crash. His body was hurled 300 feet by the force of the impact. Most of the passengers were thrown to the front of the crumpled bus in a tangled mass. Workers from the bus company garage, located only a few feet from the scene of the accident, used acetylene torches to free passengers. "It was horrible," said one of the rescue workers. "These people jammed in there in a bit tangled mess, screaming and moaning. It all happened so quick we didn't actually see the accident. First we heard the horn blowing and then the scream of tires as Joe tried to make the corner. Then there was a crash. It even shook the garage. He must have been doing 70 miles an hour when he ploughed into the wall."

## Queuille's Challenge

Paris, Apr. 29.

The Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, staked the life of his Cabinet today on a National Assembly vote of confidence on the contested electoral reform bill to clear the road for nation-wide elections in June.

By demanding the vote, M. Queuille cut short an all-night session sparked by catcalls and flut lights. His move was interpreted as a final warning to the Assembly that unless the slightly modified government bill receives the required constitutional majority, the Premier and his Cabinet would resign.

By moving a question of confidence, M. Queuille also scored a tactical success by preventing a Communist manoeuvre for a man-by-man vote which would hold the bill from a final vote for a few days more. The vote will be taken at midnight Tuesday.—United Press.

## Nothing To Say

Cannes, Apr. 29.

Prince Aly Khan has received no "official" word of the reported intention of his wife Rita Hayworth to get a divorce or separation from him and therefore has nothing to say, his secretary said today.—United Press.

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Newspapers And The Law

GOVERNMENT has decided to introduce an Ordinance to consolidate existing legislation controlling newspapers and other publications. That the need exists for tightening up the law is recognised. In this instance, however, the Authorities seek the power to suppress or suspend—a somewhat dangerous privilege. Government has a right to feel apprehensive about the behaviour of certain vernacular newspapers, who only too eagerly seize on malicious rumours and publish them in authoritative form. Moreover, a growing tendency is discernible of vernacular publications with distinct political leanings making use of their freedom of expression to wage a polemical war, the effect of which is calculated to inflame those sections of the population which read the journals. That the Authorities should possess substantive legal powers to deal with publishers who substitute licence for freedom of the press will not be disputed. The doubt that remains, however, is whether suppression or suspension is the correct sort of action. A tremendous onus will rest on the Crown, the magistrates and the judges in applying the proposed new law, especially when it comes to proving that a newspaper or other publication has failed to verify a story or the facts on which a comment is based which, by its publication, is deemed to be maliciously false news. Elsewhere in

the democratic world the suppression of a newspaper, except in times of great emergency, is not a method employed to shake a journal out of its irresponsibility. There are less drastic but quite effective measures designed to achieve the desired result. Heavy fines and the imprisonment of those responsible for the offence are the most acceptable. This does not appear to be provided for as an alternative in the new Ordinance and it would be interesting to hear Government's reason for the omission. We are perfectly satisfied that it is not the aim of the Authorities to suppress newspapers in Hongkong, but to possess legal powers for applying deterrent punishment. First action, therefore, is suggested, should be to increase substantially the maximum fines and terms of imprisonment which magistrates can impose under existing legislation; to apply those powers vigorously where there has been a successful prosecution, and to establish whether or not the punishment is an effective deterrent. If this fails to achieve its purpose, then it would be right and proper for Government to widen the scope of the law to provide for suppression or suspension of an offending publication. We feel Government should give further consideration to the subject before committing itself to legislation which may have unhappy repercussions.

## Returned To Power



MR. R. G. MENZIES

## Menzies Expects To Win His Objective Despite Losses

Melbourne, Apr. 29.

After a day of counting votes in the Australian General Election, the Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, was tonight in sight of his objective—a majority in both the House of Representatives and Senate.

By last night his Liberal Country Party coalition seemed assured of majority in the House. Today, with four of the five million votes counted it appeared that he could expect to have 31 seats in the Senate to Labour's 29.

The deputy leader of the Labour Party, a former Foreign Minister, Mr. Herbert Evatt, was today very closely challenged by his Liberal opponent for his old seat at Barton, Sydney. Mrs. Nancy Wake, Australian-born heroine of the French Resistance Movement, was only 232 votes behind him. Three thousand votes were still to be counted.

The Secretary of the Labour Party, Mr. J. A. Ferguson, said tonight that his Party expected a new election at an early date because of the Government's "inability to manage affairs of state."

It regarded as significant the Government losses of seats "after such a short time in office."

The Government took office in 1949.—Reuter.

**MUST POLL 54.56%**

To gain six of 10 Senate seats in any state, a Party must poll 54.56 of the total vote. Of the votes so far counted in Queensland the Liberal and Country Party have polled 54.5 per cent.

A State by State position of the parties was:

New South Wales: Government 23, Labour 22, Doubtful 2.

Victoria: Government 18, Labour 15, Doubtful 2.

South Australia: Government 15, Labour 5, Doubtful 0.

Western Australia: Government 15, Labour 2, Doubtful 1.

Tasmania: Government 3, Labour 1, Doubtful 1.

## W. Germans Go To The Polls

Frankfurt, Apr. 29.

West German voters went to the polls today in two of the Federal Republic's 11 States to cast ballots expected to show a further decline in popular favour of Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's Right Wing coalition government.

In the French-Zone state of Rheinland-Pfalz, about 35 per cent of 2,015,500 eligible voters braved occasional showers by noon to cast votes for the new 100-member State Assembly.

Twenty-seven per cent of 1,700,000 voters in the British-Zone state of Schleswig-Holstein turned out by noon to elect 1,362 new Municipal Councils and 21 County Councils.

Results in the heavily Catholic wine-growing state of Rheinland-Pfalz will be particularly closely watched for indications of a trend away from Adenauer. Although the Socialist Opposition leader, Dr. Kurt Schumacher, has worked hard to make the Schuman Plan as burning an issue today as rearmament was in the State elections six months ago, the growing swell against Dr. Adenauer is believed to express more general dissatisfaction with the government's faltering economic policy.

The Socialists, campaigning on a platform opposing German rearmament and the Schuman Plan to pool Europe's coal and steel, held the lead in the Rheinland-Pfalz returns as expected.

Returns from 551 precincts gave the Socialists 49,112, the Christian Democrats 47,014, Free Democratic Party 20,403 and the Communists 3,211. The showery, cool weather kept many of the eligible voters home.—United Press.

# Outflanking Threat To Seoul By Communists

## SEEK CITY'S CAPTURE BY MAY 1

Tokyo, Apr. 30.

Chinese Communists slashed southward to the Han River on Sunday in a 35-mile advance into central Korea that threatened to outflank almost deserted Seoul. Other Communist forces were surging down from the north and northwest toward the Allies dug in behind barbed wire entanglements four miles or less from the capital.

Lieut. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, Commander of the international Eighth Army, said his men would fight to thwart the Communist plans to capture Seoul by May Day—Communist international holiday. He warned that the Communists were massing

300,000 more men for the new assaults, but declared that the Reds had lost the first round of their week-old 300,000-man spring offensive at the cost of 70,000 casualties.

The Chinese on the west central front 20 miles east of Seoul moved swiftly through the no-man's land created by the deep Allied withdrawal, and slammed 150-mm artillery shells into the United Nations positions on the Han River.

Several sharp infantry engagements were reported as the Communists made the deepest penetration into south Korean territory since the offensive started a week ago. The heaviest fighting was near the confluence of the Han and Pukhan Rivers, 20 miles east of the capital.

There was a lull in the immediate Seoul area as the Allies dug in for an expected siege of the capital. Both land and sea-borne artillery and planes were preparing for the Chinese siege attacks.

The Allied troops were behind barbed wire entanglements that would slow up the Communists' "human sea" tactics, while a ring of artillery would inflict enormous losses on the Reds.

Communist vehicles flooding North Korean roads with supply traffic received the greatest blows of the war from Allied night-flying aircraft on Sunday night, a Fifth Air Force summary said today.

Allied fighters and light bombers flew more than 100 sorties during the night. Sighting a record 3,380 vehicles—or the move in all parts of Communist-held Korea, the planes bombed and strafed more than 1,000 of them and claimed at least 240 destroyed or damaged. Most air crews, however, said they knocked out many more but could not confirm them because of darkness.

At least 1,000 of the vehicles were sighted in buildup areas immediately behind the battle-lines with the largest concentrations in the west, where the battle for Seoul is just beginning.

About 200 were sighted near Uijongbu and about the same number across the Parallel at Namchonjon in the same highway net. At least 850 vehicles were sighted along the north of the roads from Binju to Sariwon and another 500 were between Sariwon and the immediate front-line area. In daylight sorties on Sunday, the Fifth Air Force, in its first good day since Thursday, claimed approximately 80 enemy troops killed or wounded. Six hundred sorties were flown on Sunday.

Human streams of refugees crossed the Han on home-made ferries from Seoul or balanced precariously on floating wooden footbridges. The moaning of women and the crying of babies on their backs were common around the bridges.

The Eighth Army held strongly prepared defensive positions along the entire 85-mile front and Gen. Van Fleet's announcement indicated that the Allied withdrawals had come to an end at least for the present. He said, "I can't say I will or I won't stop him (enemy) north of the Han. But we are in good positions on good defensive terrain in the Seoul area."

Major-General William Hoge, Commander of the United States Ninth Corps, pointed out to newsmen that the Chinese so far had committed only part of their force and that the holding of the Han River line "depends on what is thrown at us."

The Seoul area was quiet as darkness fell on Sunday evening except for the thunder of artillery and the howl of big shells lobbed into Communist positions by the big guns of the heavy cruiser Toledo, nearly 20 miles away.

Sunday night's Eighth Army communiqué disclosed a fire fight near Seoul on Saturday night. It said that two friendly companies surrounded by the Communists northwest of the city were rescued and brought back to the United Nations lines by a task force on Sunday morning. It said the patrol in the area counted 500 Communist dead.

## British Troops' Heroic Action

On The Korean Front, Apr. 29.

The first clear reports of how the Communist armies in Korea crashed and broke against two British brigades began to filter through tonight.

Major-General William Hoge, American Ninth Corps Commander, today described the British 27th Brigade's action in plugging a 10-mile wide gap in the United Nations line north of Kapyong last week as "superb."

Australian troops and Canadians who bore the brunt of the Chinese onslaught in that sector had in his opinion killed as many Chinese Communists "as the combined strength of two Commonwealth battalions."

This did not include thousands of Chinese Communists wounded by the Brigade and by New Zealanders and Americans. General Hoge said the Chinese Communists probed for a weak spot in the United Nations lines, found it north of Kapyong and punched hard.

Reports reaching here showed that at the cost of very heavy casualties the 27th Brigade stopped the full weight of the Chinese attack down the main corridor towards Seoul.

North of Kapyong the 27th Brigade was rushed into action to stop a dangerous break-through where the South Koreans had collapsed.

The 27th Brigade also suffered but like the 29th stood firm and fought the Communists to standstill in conformity with the tactical plan of the United Nations Commander.

Turks and Belgians joined in actions which will make regimental history.—Reuter.

moved in force into the vacuum created by the Allied withdrawal.

Of the four patrols ranging ahead of the new line, three made contact with small Communist groups. East of Chuncheon, an Allied patrol was fired on by an estimated squad of Communists. While the patrol was engaging the Communists, artillery fire fell into the area.

Another patrol saw an estimated 300 Communists east and northeast of Chuncheon. There were some women in this group. The sky over this front was clear today and the drone of Allied fighters, planes was almost constant. It had rained during the last three days.—United Press.

## British Papers To Cost More

London, Apr. 29.

British national and London evening newspapers, which have so far cost one penny per copy since before the war, will cost three half-pence from Monday, May 7.

The newspapers have been forced to increase their prices by a new increase of 214 per cent in the price of newsprint, which now costs £200 per ton, nearly double what it was a year ago and six times the prewar price. The Times will stay at three-pence, but the Daily Telegraph will go up from three half-pence to two-pence.—Reuter.

## Stranded Crew In Danger

Stewart's Point, Calif., Apr. 29.

Preparations were made tonight to remove the crew of the grounded Japanese freighter, Kenkoku Maru, by breeches buoy as high winds and heavy seas threatened to break up the vessel. The breeches buoy equipment was dispatched from the Point area, after the Coast Guard received a radio message from the ship's master. There were 54 Japanese crew members aboard.

Efforts by two Coast Guard tug and two commercial tugs to free the stranded ship at high tides on Saturday night and Sunday were not successful. The tugs were to try again later on Sunday, but the Coast Guard expressed fears that Sunday night's high tide, expected to be only 2 feet higher than the 4.7-foot tide on Sunday morning, would be insufficient to free the vessel.—United Press.

## Vietminh Rebels Defeated

Saigon, Apr. 29.

French forces killed 120 Vietminh guerrillas, captured 70 more and captured tons of ammunition, armament, factories and supply depots during a four-day sweep across the Plaine des Jones, about 30 miles west of Saigon, an Army source claimed here today.

Two strong infantry detachments with amphibious vehicles and artillery, air and naval forces took part in the operation across the mosquito-ridden, marshy area.

The sweep had four objects: 1.—To destroy a Vietminh regiment armed with heavy weapons which was entrenched in fortified villages.

2.—The establishment of new French military posts in the region, hitherto overrun by guerrillas.

3.—To improve communications to West Cochinchina.

4.—To free important commercial waterways in the Plaine des Jones from rebel threats. A communiqué said that the French forces achieved all these aims despite the stubborn resistance by numerically stronger Vietminh units. In North Vietnam, French-Vietnamese forces continued sweeping an area about 20 miles southwest of the supply port of Haiphong, and pushed ahead towards the sea.—Reuter.

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**Shawcross' Formula For World Peace**  
Realistic Approach To Problems  
Stockton-on-Tees, Apr. 29.  
Sir Hartley Shawcross, Britain's newly appointed President of the Board of Trade, said here today that Britain must seek to change the policy of the Communist States "by showing at once our strength — and our good faith."

In an appeal to an end to a world situation which diverted the resources of the Board of Trade, said here today that Britain must seek to change the policy of the Communist States "by showing at once our strength — and our good faith."

Premier Alcide de Gasperi of Italy bows low to kiss the hand of Princess Elizabeth at a reception in Rome by British Commonwealth representatives to Italy for the Princess and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh.

**Community Digging Project**  
Bulandshahr, Apr. 29.  
The Prime Minister of India, Pandit Nehru, spade in hand, led a volunteer brigade of villagers who today began digging a mile-long channel to reclaim low-lying land for crops.

Mr Nehru dug a few yards of dry hard earth to inaugurate the community digging. Among those who joined him were the President of the Congress Party, 72-year-old Mr Purshottamdas Tandon, and several Ministers of the Uttar Pradesh (United Provinces) Government.

**SCIENTIST'S CAVEMAN THEORY**  
Teheran, Apr. 29.  
Many years, perhaps 75,000 of them, ago, three cavemen warmed themselves around a fire and gazed Northward across the Caspian Sea to what is now Russia—then the roof fell in.

This month an American Professor and a young Harvard graduate discovered what was left of the cave. And the shattered bones they found since are causing a lot of comment in the worlds of science and anthropology.

The Professor, Carleton S. Coon, and his assistant, Louis Duxce, believe that these cave-men are the oldest human remains ever found. If they are right, there are going to be some upsets in the generally-accepted theories on evolution.

For instance, these Caspian cave-men were just like modern man—except that their brain cavities were a bit smaller. Professor Coon says that true human beings—homo sapiens—existed at the same time as the cruder types.

# Senator Appeals For Halt To Feuding Over MacArthur Dismissal

Washington, Apr. 29.  
Senator Paul Douglas (Democrat, Illinois) warned today that only a miracle could prevent World War III and he called on Americans to stop feuding over the dismissal of General Douglas MacArthur.  
Senator Douglas thus joined the Republican leader, Mr Harold Stassen, in appealing to the nation to close its ranks and forgo the bitter partisan battle over foreign policy—at a time of grave world crisis.  
But his plea appeared to be destined to get the same cold reception from both sides which had greeted Mr Stassen's proposal yesterday that President Truman and General MacArthur hold a "reconciliation" meeting.

All signs indicated that, far from subsiding, the fight over Far Eastern policy will mount to fever pitch on Thursday, when the Senate Armed Services and Foreign Relations Committees open their historic interrogation with General MacArthur as the first witness.  
The fireworks will start on Monday when the combined Committees, under the chairmanship of Senator Richard Russell (Democrat, Georgia), meet to decide whether General MacArthur will be heard behind closed doors or will testify publicly with television cameras present.

A United Press poll showed that the investigators are split on strict Party lines on the issue. Eleven Democrats backed Senator Russell's demand that hearings be conducted in private to prevent accidental disclosure of top national secrets. Seven Republicans said they would fight for public hearings on all points except actual secret documents. Four Republicans and three Democrats of the 25-man Committee were not available for comment.

In preparation for the hearings, high military officials spent a busy Sunday at the Pentagon poring over literally thousands of documents which are to be made available to the investigators. Senator Russell said the Defence Secretary, General George Marshall, had promised him that all possible top secret military dispatches dealing with MacArthur's dismissal would be "down-graded" so they could be made public.

**BIG QUESTION**  
One of the big questions the documents are expected to answer is whether the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff agreed, with General MacArthur's proposals for waging limited war on Red China. MacArthur implied, in his address to the joint session of Congress, that they did but the Joint Chiefs said later that they would tell investigators about basic differences with MacArthur.  
Senator Douglas noted that the MacArthur controversy had already engendered so much heat that Senator Robert Taft (Republican, Ohio) had publicly denounced the Joint Chiefs of Staff and their chairman, General Omar Bradley. Warning that such attacks were rocking the ship of State at a perilous time, Senator Douglas said: "It will be a miracle if we keep peace in view of Russia's constant determination to conquer the world."

He added that the best hope of avoiding war lay in becoming strong enough quickly and said the task required all American shoulders to the wheel.  
—United Press.  
**SENATOR REGRETS**  
Washington, Apr. 29.  
Republican Senator Styles Bridges regretted very much the attempts to turn the firing of General Douglas MacArthur into a partisan political issue.  
"Of course the Administration is Democratic and if General MacArthur is right, Mr Truman and Mr Dean Acheson are wrong," the ranking Republican Senator said. "But they are not wrong because they are Democrats."

Mr Bridges considered the MacArthur controversy a "fundamental question of who is right and who is wrong. I do not believe the Democrats want to be wrong any more than the Republicans. By and large the opposite sides of this issue cut across party lines."

# ATTLEE FACING THREAT

Now Challenge By The Opposition

London, Apr. 29.  
The Labour Government, weakened by internal crisis over its rearmament budget, faces fresh danger in the House of Commons this week.

The Government ranks have been tightly closed since the recent walk-out of three Ministers. But Mr Clement Attlee's Administration remains highly vulnerable in Parliament.

Key to the question of survival or downfall is still held by Mr Aneurin Bevan. Left-wing leader who led the Cabinet revolt.

Though now out of the Government, he and his sympathisers still have the power to hasten its end.

A challenging motion on raw materials put forward by Mr Winston Churchill and his Conservatives for debate on Tuesday confronts Mr Bevan with an immediate difficulty.

Mr Bevan, with Mr Harold Wilson, Board of Trade President, and Mr John Freeman, a junior Minister, resigned mainly in the belief that the £4,700 million arms programme would not work out because of the shortage of raw materials.

They have promised not to endanger the Government. But the Conservative motion complicates their position. It expresses anxiety that the arms programme approved by Parliament in February was based on defence production estimates which were not accepted by the Ministers chiefly concerned.

The problem for Mr Bevan is—Can he help the Government with his vote to reject this motion in view of the stand he has taken?

Mr Bevan suffered a triple defeat last week in his challenge to the now almost wholly "Moderate" Cabinet. His stand against Mr Attlee and Mr Hugh Gaitskell, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was rejected by large majorities of the Parliamentary Labour Party, by the National Executive of the Labour Party in the country, and the leadership of the 8,000,000-strong Trades Union Congress.

But since then Mr Bevan has gained evidence of support for his views from some sections of Labour's following.—Reuter.

**BRITISH HINT TO AMERICA**  
Enfield, Apr. 29.  
Mr James Callaghan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, said here today that if America's rearmament programme consumed raw materials which would otherwise be sent abroad it would be impossible for Britain to carry out its part of the defence bargain.

"We cannot defend ourselves with one hand tied behind our back," he said, emphasising Britain's need for machine tools as well as raw materials.

Mr Callaghan said that there was a feeling in the United States that they could cope with the rearmament programme with little need to disturb the American citizen's standard of living.

Britain's defence programme need not involve "any substantial reduction in our austere standards of life if the American people are prepared to suffer some cuts in their own standard," he declared.—Reuter.

# Big Fight Ahead On Grain Bill

Washington, Apr. 29.  
The chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Mr John Kee, today predicted a tough fight on the House floor this week over the bill to rush 2,000,000 tons of American wheat to India.

President Truman has appealed for approval of the measure but a House bloc, headed by the Southern Democrat Eugene Cox, is fighting it on the ground that India opposes U.S. diplomatic policies in the Korean war.

Mr Kee said the Bill faced an uphill battle despite a major concession to opponents in putting the \$100,000,000 emergency aid programme on a loan rather than gift basis. A companion "gift loan" measure is pending in the Senate.

Mr Cox served notice he would seek to link opposition to the bill with opposition to the Far East policies of the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson.

Churches and civic groups are making a last-minute attempt to mobilise support for the humanitarian measure. It was revealed that Rev. L. Stark, rector of the huge Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in Washington, broke with precedent and devoted an entire sermon to a plea for passage of the grain bill.

Mr Stark told the congregation, which included many notables of the capital, that he had never before spoken from the pulpit on a legislative issue pending in Congress, but this was such a "clear test of fundamental Christian duty, it would be cowardice for the Church to remain silent," he declared.—United Press.

**Auto Show Success**  
Frankfurt, Apr. 29.  
The International Automobile Exhibition here closed today. Some 800,000 people, including 40,000 visitors from 45 countries, saw the show.

Firms from the nine nations who exhibited said that they were satisfied with the business done during the 10 days. German small car manufacturers sold 14,775 cars, mainly to Latin America, the Near East, Switzerland, Portugal, Sweden and Australia.—Reuter.

# Storm Brews Over Ceilings On Meat

Washington, Apr. 29.  
The United States Government braced itself today for a storm of criticism from cattle-State Congressmen who oppose new ceilings on beef prices. Some officials feared the action of the Price Stabiliser, Mr Michael Disalle, might provoke a meat-strike by ranchers which might cost Mr Disalle his job.

Wholesale ceilings are scheduled to go into effect on May 9 and retail ceilings on May 14. Experts differ on just what would happen to prices in the meantime. Some experts expect merchants to raise prices as high as possible to realise the greatest possible income before ceilings go into effect. Others, however, predict that packers, anxious to take advantage of the few days' grace, would rush so much meat to market the glut would force merchants to lower prices.

Mr Disalle was reported ready to send scores of investigators into the stockyards to make sure orders are obeyed and black-marketing prevented. Meat merchants were quick to attack the new order and warned of the meat shortages and a return to the black market and "monstrous" prices of World War II.—United Press.

# Tragedy In U.S. Zone

Frankfurt, Apr. 29.  
The German police today found the bodies of Necathi Cakir, identified as a Turkish newspaper correspondent, his wife and six-year-old twin children in the gas-filled kitchen of their home.

The kitchen had been sealed to prevent gas escaping and empty sleeping tablet containers were found on the floor. Two school books were found on the kitchen table with a note requesting that they be returned to the school. There was no suicide note.

The U.S. Army Press Centre, which accredits all foreign correspondents in the U.S. Zone of Germany, said records showed Cakir was correspondent for the Turkish Itikat Mecmusa. His wife was German.—United Press.

# Polling In Japan

Tokyo, Apr. 29.  
Major Japanese political parties tonight wound up a one-month campaign for the second and crucial round of the nationwide local elections in a blare of loudspeakers and election promises.

Japanese voters will go to the polls on Monday for the second successive week, this time to elect governors in 34 prefectures and assemblymen in all 46 Japanese prefectures.

Election officials predict heavy balloting, rivaling the 91 per cent turn-out of last Monday.

The major issue in the elections is the question of a bi-lateral peace treaty with the United States and other Allied countries and the problem of furnishing military bases in Japan to the United States in return for American protection.—United Press.

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## Hunt For Sub. Continuing

Chatham, Apr. 29. Wives and relatives of the 75 men lost recently in the British submarine Affray attended a memorial service at the Royal Naval Barracks here today. Search ships are still looking for the Affray, which disappeared in the English Channel 12 days ago after a routine dive. The search may continue for months. — Reuter.

## CABINET TO MEET ON IRAN

London, Apr. 29. The Cabinet will today consider the action of the Iranian Majlis in nationalising the oil industry and a strong representation may be made to the Shah of Iran, diplomatic quarters said today.

The Government here is maintaining complete official silence regarding latest developments in Iran, but the Foreign Office is known to be in continuous exchange with the British Ambassador in Teheran, Sir Francis Shepherd.

One official said today that Britain considered any unilateral denunciation of the oil agreement with the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company illegal. Sir Francis might make that view known in a personal audience with the Shah, who must approve any nationalisation action.

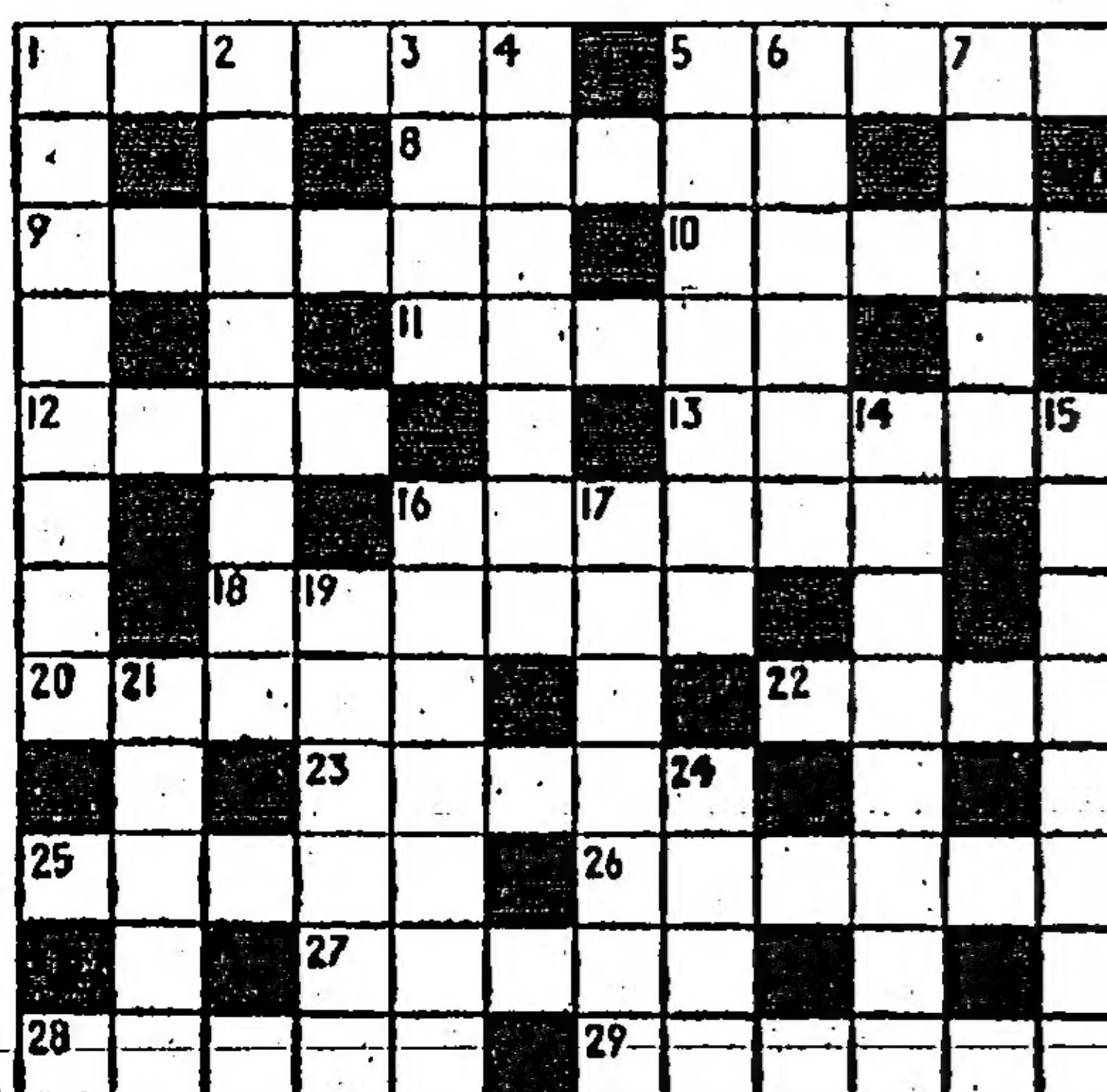
The British were known to have been urged by the United States to accept nationalisation and then try to make the best possible deal with Iran, but diplomatic quarters said today that it was putting the cart before the horse—that some arrangement should be worked out in advance before Britain could give her consent to nationalisation as required under the terms of the contract. —United Press.

## Detention Of Israeli MP

New York, Apr. 29. Ben Aliezer, a member of the Israeli Parliament, and his wife, Judith, were detained by immigration officials on their arrival here by air today.

They were sent to Ellis Island for further examination. Ben Aliezer and his wife flew here from Israel by way of Paris. They were questioned for several hours before being taken to Ellis Island. Ben Aliezer had come to speak on the relief and rehabilitation of Jewish war veterans. —Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Repeat about (8).
  - Sacred song (5).
  - Precincts (5).
  - Thirteen (6).
  - Wine (5).
  - Religious (5).
  - Necessity (4).
  - Goals (6).
  - Refer (6).
  - Barbarian (6).
  - Badge (5).
  - Party (4).
  - Conspiracies (5).
  - Justifications (5).
  - Incorporate (6).
  - Bird (5).
  - Movies lightly (5).
  - Milk (6).
- DOWN**
- Passionate (8).
  - Imagine (8).
  - Diplomacy (4).
  - Gem (7).
  - Contemplable (7).
  - Polished with stones (6).
  - Permission (5).
  - Apartment house (8).
  - Judgment (8).
  - Horny projections (7).
  - Durable (7).
  - Appearances (6).
  - Drive back (5).
  - Cut (4).

**SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.** — Across: 3 Bump; 7 Broad; 8 Uses; 9 Kith; 10 Eminent; 12 Trek; 15 Dried; 18 Pies; 19 Rows; 21 Lure; 22 Cam; 23 Evoked; 26 Data; 29 Averted; 30 Cope; 31 Last; 32 Kudos; 33 Eddy; Down: 1 Grime; 2 Meander; 4 Unit; 5 Punt; 6 Mole; 9 Knot; 11 Erase; 13 Hunt; 14 Kean; 16 Drake; 17 Chisel; 18 Plot; 20 Squaw; 24 Dyer; 25 Vapid; 26 Doozy; 27 Arab; 28 John.

## ITALY WEEDING REDS OUT OF CONSCRIPT ARMY

Rome, Apr. 29. There are 25,000 Communists in the Italian army, representing 15 percent of its total strength, official sources revealed.

The sources said the heavy influx of conscripts makes it difficult to weed out party members from army ranks but Italian officials do not believe they are a danger.

"Most of them are Communists in name," one official said.

The army is limited to 250,000 men by the Italian peace treaty but that figure includes 75,000 Carabinieri, or federal police. The 175,000-man army takes in about 60,000 conscripts a year, of which many are Communists.

The Carabinieri long ago weeded out Communists or leftist sympathizers. The navy and air force, limited to 25,000 men each, have also been able to make tight political screenings.

The problem of Communism in the army has received much attention in top Western planning. But no one in the Italian army or Interior Ministry, which controls the police, believes the Communist soldiers represent a danger.

The officials are worried chiefly about the Communists outside the army—particularly those working in big industrial plants. One official said many of the army conscripts come from small towns which are in the control of the Communists and the youths become Communists "just as a matter of course."

"In the army, they learn to think a little for themselves and we are quite pleased with the number that forget all about Communism at the end of their time in the army," he said.

**CONVERTED** Police authorities regard these Communists as almost no problem at all. Local police report that in the army on every conscript and every town has a police register of Communist Party members or followers.

When a Communist enters the army, he gets special supervision and is watched closely until officials determine whether he is a real militant party member or just a Communist in name only. Special officers then take up the task of converting them.

No effort is made to segregate the Communists in the army since military officials believe the best way to convert them is to have them live with non-Communists.

Western officials who did not wish to be identified believe the army is handling the Communist problem well.

"Most of these young Communists are illiterate," one authoritative observer said. "After they get three good meals a day and some decent clothes, they are pretty safe as far as the Government is concerned. But the army is careful about the majority of them." —United Press.

## "MONTY" SHOCKED BRADLEY

New York, Apr. 29. Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery's plan for the 1944 Ardennes drive was one of the most imaginative of the war, General Omar Bradley, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, says in today's installment of his book, "A Soldier's Story."

He goes on: "Had the pious, teetotaling Montgomery wobbled into S.H.A.E.F. with a hangover I could not have been more astonished than I was by the daring adventure he proposed."

Although General Bradley—then U.S. Ground Commander in Europe—and other American commanders favored alternative routes, General Eisenhower, he says, accepted Montgomery's scheme as a "fairy gamble."

"Of the 9,000 British troops who parachuted into that ill-fated bridgehead, fewer than 2,500 infiltrated back into our lines," recalls General Bradley, "but adds:

"There is a quality to adversity that summons the noblest in British valour, and as a result valour often so obscures defeat that acts of heroism are remembered long after the defeat is forgotten."

## DISCUSSIONS ON SHORTAGE OF PAPER

Washington, Apr. 29. Representatives of 12 nations will meet here tomorrow to discuss the critical shortage of pulp and paper. It was announced tonight.

The committee, appointed by the International Materials Conference, will consider ways of increasing production, conserving supplies, and, if necessary, procedures to ensure effective distribution.

This is the seventh committee set up by the Conference to consider production and distribution of strategic materials. The countries taking part will be: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Western Germany, Italy, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Britain and the United States. —Reuter.

## Vogeler's Message To Free World

Vienna, Apr. 29. Robert Vogeler, still suffering from shock from his 17-month ordeal in a Hungarian prison, told Americans today that "God gave us the mission" to destroy Communism before all the world lost its freedom.

His eyes red-rimmed from lack of sleep, his hands clasped to keep them from shaking, the 38-year-old American businessman said in a tremulous voice, "What happened to me could happen to anyone. I feel that every American individual should realize that."

Vogeler was released at the Hungarian border on Saturday and within two hours was at his Vienna home where his beautiful blonde wife and two small sons have been waiting for him since late in 1949. But 24 hours later in a spacious garden behind the house he was still bewildered. His voice choked with emotion, "Time and again he has to squeeze his wife's hand to assure himself that he was no longer dreaming in solitary confinement. Some of his sentences were not clear. He would not allow anyone, even his children, to stand behind him.

Vogeler said he was going to take his family to the United States soon. He said his sons, Bobby, 11, and Billy, nine, want to see a baseball game. Vogeler went to bed at one and woke at six although he had been given a strong sedative.

Vogeler's wife said she was suffering badly from shock. She said, "He used to be so proud that he was sometimes impossible. Now he is just like a baby and always wants to hold my hand."

## Ordnance Factory Girl



British Royal Ordnance factories are working full blast again producing weapons for the new armaments drive. Here is Miss G. Williams checking the measurements of a 20-pdr. gun breech-block she is making in a Cardiff factory.

## Scientists Studying Solar Atomic Energy

Washington, Apr. 29. The "Big Eye," telescope atop the Palomar mountain in southern California, is pictured as an important tool for scientists in their attempts to match atomic energy on earth with solar atomic energy that scientists are attempting to duplicate in production of the hydrogen bomb.

The new possible role of the 200-inch Hale telescope, the largest in the world and the "eye" that can look 1,000 million light years into space, was reported by Dr. Ira Bowen, director of the Mount Wilson and Palomar observatories, Pasadena, California.

He told the annual meeting of the National Academy of Sciences that the mountain top telescope is hard at work these days after its final polishing job, and new delicate auxiliary equipment including spectrographic devices have been added to assist the "Big Eye" in its scanning of far-off heavens.

The telescope is named for the famed astronomer, Dr. George Hale.

Dr. Bowen said: "The question of the chemical composition of the stars and other astronomical objects is becoming of increasing importance because of recent advances in nuclear physics."

Up to the creation of the 200-inch telescope there was no "tool" available to make a comprehensive study of the stars in action. He reported the "Big Eye" had already trained on rarified clouds of gas

surrounding hot stars in far off distances and spectrographs of clouds are being used for study of chemical composition of gases and for analysis of internal motions of gaseous envelopes.

## DEADLY ENERGY

The importance of the work with the 200-inch telescope in a study of the action of stars can be linked with the work of H-bomb scientists because in the exploding of a hydrogen bomb—transmutation of hydrogen into helium—the action of the sun and stars is actually duplicated on earth and with the resultant release of energy many times more powerful and deadly than radiation emitted from the atomic fission bomb.

Dr. Bowen estimated the "Big Eye" as a research tool will continue for 50 to 100 years to come. He said: "The complete story of the Palomar observatory and its accomplishments can only be told after the labours of many generations of astronomers have been completed." —United Press.

## MINERS WALK OFF JOB

Tokyo, Apr. 29. Fifty thousand Japanese metal miners employed by the Taihei Mining Company struck for higher wages at the weekend and 15,000 more have been ordered to walk out tomorrow.

The men, members of labour groups affiliated to the National Federation of Metal Mineworkers' Union, are demanding 9,000 yen (£29) a month bonus but the management is offering 4,000 yen.

Japanese Press reports said today that the strike would seriously affect production in chemical fibres, chemicals and fertilisers, but industries using copper and lead would not suffer so seriously because they have stockpiles. —Reuter.

## Hailstorm Damage

Gauhati, Apr. 29. A powerful hailstorm swept Gauhati, Assam, last night, destroying a number of huts and disrupting communications. No loss of life has been reported. —Reuter.

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## Big 3's Serious Doubts

Paris, Apr. 29. The Western Powers expect to discover if Russia really wants a conference of the Foreign Ministers when the deputies begin their ninth week tomorrow.

Russian tactics at the discussions here over the last two or three weeks have raised serious doubts in the minds of the American, French and British delegations as to Russia's intentions in the amelioration of East-West tension.

The Soviet deputy, M. Andrei Gromyko, flatly rejected the new Western agenda tabled last Friday, which made two important concessions. Even though the West had included Trieste on their agenda, M. Gromyko still refuses to consider the Austrian treaty as suitable for the Foreign Ministers' meeting.

Negotiations on an Austrian treaty have been held over Soviet accusations that the Western Powers were violating the Italian Treaty in Trieste.

The three Western deputies have said that their new agenda represents the limit of their concessions and that Russia must make a move which would render an agenda possible.

Observers consider that the crux of the deadlock is the armaments issue. The West maintains that armament levels should be discussed before reduction. Russia has insisted that reduction of armaments should take precedence.

Observers believe the West has no intention of accepting the Soviet wording on this item and M. Gromyko has similarly refused to budge.

If the deputies' conference fails, observers consider—and the test will come in the next week or 10 days—it will be on this problem. However, it might still be possible for the Foreign Ministers to meet with two workings of the armaments item on their agenda. —Reuter.

## Pakistani Warning On Kashmir

New York, Apr. 29. The Pakistani Ambassador to the United States, Mr. Mirza Asad Hassan Ispahani, warned today that Pakistan and India would be unable to play a greater role in world affairs and contribute fully to peace efforts as long as the Kashmir issue was not settled.

Mr. Ispahani, who arrived here aboard the Queen Mary en route to Washington from routine consultations in Karachi, said:

"So long as the Kashmir problem remains, one of the most explosive issues in the world continues. Therefore, more than ever it is imperative that the United Nations should act positively now."

Asked by reporters whether Pakistan could send troops to Korea, the Ambassador replied: "So long as the Kashmir problem is involved, both Pakistan and India will be dissipating their energy and resources watching each other. If you have a fire in your own backyard, you do not send help to a fire in a distant barn." —United Press.

## FREIGHTER IN DANGER

San Francisco, Apr. 29. Heavy seas pounding the Japanese freighter Kenkoku Maru, laid aground on a short, rocky beach 80 miles North of here, may force removal of her crew, the Coast Guard said tonight.

A breeches buoy rescue party is on its way to her overland from Arena Cove station, a Coast Guard officer said.

A radio message from the ship's master, Captain Shigeo Fujime, said: "Need breeches buoy rigged to beach soonest." An attempt to float the ship failed this morning. But salvagers planned to try again tonight. —Associated Press.

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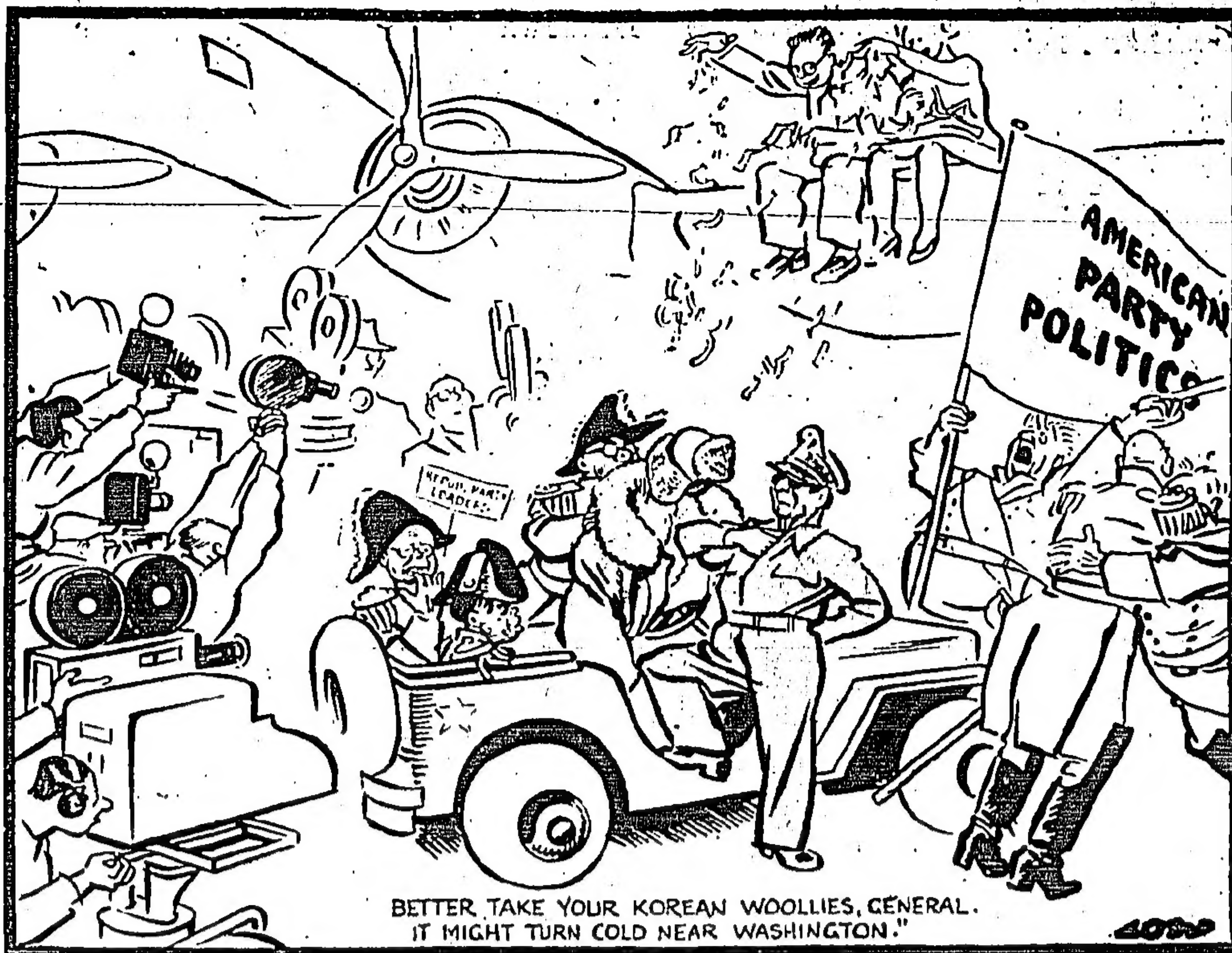
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## MISS MENUHIN IS GLAD SHE'S MRS NICHOLAS...

By EVELYN IRONS

OFF from London to Paris soon to give three concerts with brother Yehudi is pianist Hephzibah Menuhin, 31 next month. But what a pity, she thinks, that this will prevent her from going to Scotland with her husband to buy an Aberdeen Angus bull.

Thirteen years ago, this pocket-size blonde with the deep blue eyes, the pale face and the bright, brisk and practical manner threw up an already brilliant career in music to marry Australian Lindsay Nicholas and

Does Mrs Nicholas, playing the busy housewife and mother, ever pine for the glitz of the concert pianist's life? Does she miss the applause, the adulation and the bouquets that came the way of Hephzibah Menuhin?

### 'SO HAPPY'

"NEVER for one minute," she says in the slight Australian accent she has acquired (she speaks Russian, French, German, Italian and Spanish as well). "I have never been so happy in my life. Look at my husband—he is a happy and contented man. Isn't that the greatest success anyone could wish for?"

She certainly does not miss the money. She, and Yehudi can, it is true, earn around

says, being brought up in either faith, but will choose their own when they are old enough.

What is the year's biggest excitement on the farm that is three miles from the nearest neighbour, 17 miles from the nearest small town? Says Hephzibah, "The Woolshed Ball." To the Nicholas's woolshed come 600 neighbours and their children from a radius of 200 miles around. Hephzibah is busy for days beforehand making preparations which include a heady wine cup called Jungle Juice to sell at 6d. a glass. Proceeds go to her dearest project—the children's travelling library of 4,000 books which she runs herself.

### PLAYED AT 4

HEPHZIBAH enjoys concerts, loves the theatre; in London she has been out every night. Her taste—serious. ("The Consul excited me so much I couldn't sleep afterwards.")

But at home Mrs Nicholas is content to go to bed at 10.30 and rise at 7 each morning.

There is a fortnightly film show at the Nicholas's farm, to which all the neighbours are invited.

Most evenings there is music, usually from the family's vast collection of gramophone records. Sometimes Mr Nicholas plays the organ and his wife plays the piano. Since music ceased to be her work she finds she enjoys it infinitely more.

"But I don't practise," says Yehudi's sister. "Only once a year or so when I am giving a concert, I put in a spell of five hours a day at the piano."

Although their mother played the piano at four and their uncle Yehudi clamoured for his first violin at three, neither of the two Nicholas boys

plays any musical instrument or drudges at scales and arpeggios. Hephzibah believes that they should not be forced to learn if they show no natural inclination. She herself gave her first concert in San Francisco at the age of eight but she is perfectly content that Kronrad is a born farmer, already handy with his father's sheep and cattle.

### PUZZLED

MANY people have puzzled vainly over the sudden outburst of musical genius in these children of poor parents who originally came from South Russia and emigrated from Palestine to San Francisco. But there is no mystery about where Hephzibah got the ideas which led her to what most would call the wilderness. Her affinities are with the Kibbutzim of her ancestral Israel.

"I believe in community living—and that doesn't mean Communism," she says. "It means groups of people living together for the common good, eating and working communally. I believe that the two countries of the future are Israel and Australia."

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Mrs. Nicholas with Marston and Kronrad in London.

live on his 25,000-acre sheep and cattle farm 137 miles from Melbourne, Victoria.

Since then she has emerged only occasionally to make an appearance-on-the-platform.

She and her brother open the Festival Hall on May 5 with a sonata recital: a month before that date, every one of the 4,000 places was booked.

That was not just because of brother Yehudi. Hephzibah is acknowledged to be a great performer in her own right; she may neglect her talent, but it never rusts. When Sir Malcolm Sargent was giving a concert with her in Australia, "he thought at first that 'a little bit of Mozart' would be as much as she could manage. But she insisted on the massive second concerto of Brahms, and amazed him by playing it like a master."

£2,000 for one concert. But tall, handsome Lindsay Nicholas is not only a farmer, but the son of a proprietary medicine king and a near-millionaire.

From this it must not be imagined that Hephzibah has retired to a life of luxury and leisure.

The Nicholas's big, one-storey, red-roofed homestead has no servants. Sons Kronrad (11) and Marston (seven next month) make their own beds. Husband Lindsay operates the vacuum cleaner.

Hephzibah does a bit of everything. Her favourite chores—cooking and making preserves.

She is devoted to her children: has ideas about education ("I'm an interfering member of the parents' committee—I insist on a say in how my sons are taught and fed"); ideas about diet ("We have plenty of vegetable juice, plenty of meat and never sugar—which is why my elder boy still has some of his milk teeth"). She is a Jewess and a Zionist; her husband a Methodist. The children are not; she

## LALA KILLED 17 HUSBANDS

By ALWYN TEBBITT

New Delhi. SITTING dejectedly in the local gaol at Bhatinda, in the East Punjab, is pretty, 20-year-old Lala Wanti. She is accused of murdering 17 husbands in the last six years.

When the police arrested her, Lala had just sliced off the head of Husband Number 17 with an axe.

She explained that she was fed up with him, and that she had fallen in love with another young man who worked on the railway. As her husband refused to release her, she had no alternative but to kill him.

When the police accused Lala of murdering the 10 other young men she had married, she shrugged her slim shoulders.

Yes, she admitted, she had poisoned them, but all the bodies had "been cremated on the day of their deaths, according to Indian custom. There was no evidence to prove she had committed the crimes.

Lala married first at the age of 14 and murdered her husband three weeks later. He had made her work too hard, she said.

The rest of her husbands she had killed when she found someone more attractive—an average of one every four months.

Lala also admitted that it was a mistake using an axe to kill her last husband. It had caused her arrest.

If only she had used poison she would not have been caught. She would merely have lamed her latest husband's death, as custom demanded, followed the body to the crematorium ground, and would then have been free to go to the young man on the railway.

A fortunate young man. He would probably have been No. 18.

But the sickle Lala will not be hanged. Women have rarely been executed in India; and murder is not considered a particularly serious crime by the masses—one reason why detective stories are unpopular.

In fact, violent death is so common that unless it reaches a famous person it rarely makes even a small headline. Lala's 17 successful efforts were worth only two paragraphs in the local papers.

So Lala Wanti will now have an iron ring riveted on her shapely left leg and will be sent to prison for five or twelve years.

As she belongs to the sweeper class—the "Untouchables"—she will be given the dirtiest and most arduous jobs.

She can't understand why the police should create such a fuss over such a small matter.

Beverley Baxter

## When men sing, the heart of a nation is stirred

YOU may not be aware of it but the Arts Council has something very special up its sleeve. On June 1 there is to be a concert "unlike any other in the whole Festival Programme."

The event is to be called "Singing Englishmen." Thus does England make reply to Wales and Edinburgh.

The choristers are to be ordinary men and women chosen from the workers, and the songs will be gathered from the past. Herbert Morrison is particularly enthusiastic because, according to the official announcement, it seems that in the bad old days of Tory misrule our grandfathers and grandmothers sang at their work and in their private affairs.

AN ELEMENT OF DOUBT HERE

MR MORRISON wants to recover that spirit, if it is not too late. Perhaps it is this element of doubt which has caused him to book it for St. Pancras Town Hall rather than in the Festival Hall.

It is well known that a nation's songs are more important than its laws. On that fateful day in 1941 when Yugoslavia overthrew its faint-hearted leaders and defied Germany, I called at the Legation in London to pay my respects to the Minister and his wife.

They told me then that the peasants so loved their songs extolling love and pride of country that they would never bow down to a conqueror.

They still sing them in Yugoslavia, and the sound is carried on the wind even to the secret places of the Kremlin.

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This was rather hard on the nice old German who wrote it, but how was he to know that his Christmas carol "Tannenbaum" with its gentle words, "O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, you do not bloom in winter alone," would become the anthem of red revolution?

If anything the words of "The Red Flag" are even more feeble. How would you like to stand up with clenched fist and distended nostrils and sing:—  
Look round, the Frenchmen  
loves its blaze,  
The sturdy German chants  
its praise,  
In Moscow's vaults its hymns  
are sung,  
Chicago swells the urging  
song,  
Shades of Colonel Mac-  
Cormick!

### THE SOCIALISTS SING IT BETTER

YET on the day that Parliament assembled after the Socialist sweep in 1945 the Socialists sang that dirge in the sacred Chamber of the House of Commons. In fairness

I do not think they intended to do it.

What happened was this. When Winston Churchill came in Sir Waldron Smithers, who is an organist of no mean repute broke into that depressing English folk song known as: "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

This set a dilemma for the rest of us. To ignore Sir Waldron's exuberance would have seemed a slight to our leader, so in British fashion we compromised and followed Waldron about an octave flat.

Then as the answer came "The Red Flag" there is no question about it, the Socialists sing better than the Tories. At least, they did in 1945.

### NOW A SOLO. 'THE JONES BOYS'

THE most distinguished rendering of "The Red Flag" I have ever heard was during the General Strike when Mr Lloyd George and the late Lord Birkenhead came to Lord Beaverbrook's flat at the top of the Sunday Express building.

That was, of course, just before Lord Beaverbrook's sixth declaration that he took no part in the affairs of his newspapers.

"F.E." had secured a copy of the words, and as L.C. was known to be reasonably musical it was suggested that he should lead the others while I played the accompaniment on the piano.

At first the effect was only startling. Then as our host really got going it was terrifying.

When Lord Beaverbrook sings it sounds like an affirmation of the Shorter Catechism, a rallying of the Empire and a gale warning.

Not content with the Moscow anthem, he gave a solo performance of an old song which, he claimed, was the whole story of New Brunswick in the days when he was a small boy there in his father's manse. Here it is:—

Oh the Jones boys!  
They built a mill  
On the side of a hill,  
And they worked all night  
And they worked all day,  
But they couldn't make  
That gosh darned sawmill pay!

After that Lord Birkenhead remembered an important appointment and left.

### INSPIRED BY THE 'MARSEILLAISE'

THERE is, of course, nothing to equal "La Marseillaise" in the power to stir the pulses and inflame the spirit. It is a composition of sheer genius created in a moment of fierce exaltation. Even to our British ears it never fails to rouse the emotions. Then what must it mean to the French?

I never heard it played more beautifully than that year when the French President and his wife were received by both Houses of Parliament in the great gallery. As our guests walked, their entourage slowly walked up the aisle a hidden orchestra gave such meaning to the famous anthem that it was at once poignant and beautiful.

Let us hope that the President and his lady both had tears in their eyes, for then they may not have noticed that on one wall of the gallery was a gigantic painting of Waterloo and a companion painting on the other wall of Trafalgar.

### OH, BE SWIFT, MY SOUL, TO ANSWER...

IT would not be right in this review of national musical expression to leave out the Americans even if it were possible to omit the Americans in anything these days.

Their "Battle Song of the Republic" to which the Northerners marched in the Civil War, is only second in greatness to "La Marseillaise." Few of us who were at the unveiling of President Roosevelt's statue in Grosvenor square will ever forget hearing those words sung in the vast quiet of that morning:—  
He hath sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat:  
He is lifting out the hearts  
Of men before him.

Judgment seat:  
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer  
Him; be quick, my feet!  
Our God is marching on.

Shakespeare himself would have rejoiced in that phrase, "be jubilant, my feet!" The flame still burns in the spirit of America even if its tunes have changed.

(—London Express Service.)







# COLONY ATHLETES WARM UP FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIPS ON MAY 19 AND 20 By "RECORDER"

Nearly all the known leading athletes of the Colony participated in a final competitive warm-up at Caroline Hill Stadium yesterday that had been primarily arranged to give them some final practice and to give all intending competitors an idea of the standard required to reach the finals of the Colony Championships on May 19 and 20.

The meet also served as an opportunity for the debut locally of the Milocarian Athletic Club, which groups together the athletics enthusiasts among the officers of the three services. The Milocarians put up a respectable show with their small team and received from the South China Athletic Association, the hosts, a pennant to commemorate the first meeting between the two Clubs.

Interest yesterday was centred in the duels between Alapini, of the Royal Air Force, and Jackson Lee of La Salle College, the Inter-School Champion, in the 100 and 200 Metres and in the return meeting between Lo Wing-chuen and Tony Braga in the 400 Metres. The latter two had run first and second in the Inter-School Sports.

Alapini, who hails from Nigeria, forced Jackson Lee to his fastest 100 Metres—11.1 seconds—and shared honours with him by overtaking him almost on the tape in what was a blanket finish in the 200 metres.

Alapini was timed in 23.1 seconds in this longer race after a three-cornered duel with Wong Man-wah of South China, who was in the lead with 60 metres to go and must have turned in a 23.4 or 23.5 second performance.

Jackson Lee was second in 23.1 or 23.2. He had won the Inter-School title in 23.1 seconds last Thursday.

The 400 Metres was also a three-cornered light all the way. Lambo of Milocarians finishing in about 54.6 seconds behind Lo Wing-chuen, timed in 54.1 seconds and Braga, overtaken about two yards from the tape, who must have done 54.3 or 54.4 seconds.

Competing in the shot put and discus throw was Ng Yin-fok, the South China captain, who last year did 52.4 seconds for the 400 metres and 22.8 seconds for the 200 metres. He is definitely competing in the Championships in the longer race and, though not in training, should be good for about 53.5 seconds. He did not run yesterday.

Ng should be able to pull Lo and Braga under 54 seconds and believes that Braga, if he is in top condition, is likely to come down to 53.5 seconds. The three should make the Colony 400 Metres the fastest we have ever seen here.

A high standard was reached yesterday, the best marks being 11-foot 1 1/4-inch vault by Yee Tit-kwan, which will probably be accepted as the Colony record, and a 100-foot 10 1/2-inch high jump by Dailywater.

## RECORDS PROBLEM

One of the problems facing the Hongkong Amateur Track and Field Association is that of records and the policy will, I understand, be to accept performances in the past if these can be attested to.

It is known, for example, that W. S. Gegg of University ran the 100 metres in 10.8 seconds in 1940 and Opl. Walter Land of the Royal Engineers jumped 6 feet about the same year, but the Records Committee will have to be satisfied that Gegg's time was accomplished without wind aid and that Land's jump was properly measured, taking into account any sag of the bar.

Though there has been a 23-foot performance in the long jump in the Colony Championships in 1940, the level of the sand in the pit is remembered by one witness at least as having been below that of the take-off board, and the mark is unlikely to be accepted.

It is not unlikely that the Records Committee will have to start the records list from performances since the Hongkong Track and Field Association came into being, or from the first Annual Quadrangular Meet between South China Athletic Association, Army, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force.

The problem could be solved by starting the records list from scratch and acknowledging separately the outstanding previous marks. A long jump of 23 feet at Caroline Hill into a pit about two inches below the level of the take-off board would be worth about 22 feet 10 inches and is still worth listing as an outstanding performance as no one within memory in this Colony has come anywhere near it other than for Figgins and Japanese Olympic athletes who passed through here on their way to the Amsterdam and Berlin Olympics.

Yesterday's performances suggested that the Colony could take on Manila and Singapore without being outclassed and could, perhaps, even beat the two cities in a triangular match. Hongkong's athletes could certainly hold their own in all the runs and could score in the field events. We are weaker in the hurdles and jumps.

## GIRLS AGAIN

There was one event yesterday for the girls—a 100 Metres run—and this attracted enough entries for three heats, all won by the King George V School, which arranged the event with its supporters.

## ENTRIES CLOSE TOMORROW

Entries for the Colony Track and Field Championships to be held at Caroline Hill on Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20, close tomorrow. These should be addressed to the Joint Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. J. Tingay, King George V School.

Mr. Tingay will accept entries by telephone (87877) from intending competitors in Army units stationed in New Territories up to 3 p.m. on Tuesday. Any such calls to Mr. Tingay should be made at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. or 3 p.m. on Tuesday.

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## HOW THEY FINISHED

100 Metres Dash (South China): 1. Jackson Lee (Sel.); 2. Alapini (Sel.); 3. Wong Man-wah (South China); 4. Roach (Sel.) Time: 11.1 seconds.

200 Metres Dash (South China): 1. Alapini (Sel.); 2. Jackson Lee (Sel.); 3. Wong Man-wah (South China); 4. Westchout (Sel.) Time: 23.1 seconds.

400 Metres Run (South China): 1. Lo Wing-chuen (Sel.); 2. Tony Braga (Sel.); 3. Lambie (Milocarians); 4. Clarke (Sel.) Time: 54.1 seconds.

800 Metres Run (South China): 1. Anderson (Sel.); 2. Mawson (Milocarians); 3. Lawrence (Sel.); 4. Szee Lee-wah (South China); 5. Lee Shi-chung (South China) Time: 2 minutes 4.9 seconds.

1,500 Metres Run (Sel.): 1. Stephenson (Sel.); 2. Grove (Sel.); 3. Dyer (Milocarians); 4. Koo Man-ya (Sel.); 5. Wong Ka-ya (Sel.) Time: 4 minutes 28 seconds.

3,000 Metres Run (Sel.): 1. Stobbings (Sel.); 2. Judkins (Sel.); 3. Cairns (Milocarians); 4. Lee Kam-hung (South China) Time: 10 minutes 17.6 seconds.

400 Metres Relay (South China): 1. Selected Team; 3. Milocarians Time: 45.6 seconds.

110 Metres High Hurdles (South China): 1. Chan Wai-lam (Sel.); 2. Cheung Yau-hung (Sel.); 3. Handley (Sel.); 4. Drabble (Sel.) Time: 17.4 seconds.

400 Metres Low Hurdles (South China): 1. Ho Man-yuen (Sel.); 2. Young Hung-chu (Sel.); 4. Garton (Sel.) Time: 63.8 seconds.

1/4 Mile (Sel.): 1. Dwyer (Sel.) 5 feet 10 1/2 inches; 2. Ling Sum (South China) 5.5; 3. Handley (Sel.) 5.3; 4. Tsui Leung-yan (Milocarians) 5.2; 5. Greer (Milocarians) 5.2.

Pole Vault (South China) 11 feet 1 5/8 inches; 2. Wake (Sel.) 10.6; 3. Deadman (Sel.) 10.4; 4. Wong Sung-yau (South China) 9.8; 5. Livmore (Milocarians) 8.0.

Long Jump (South China) 20 feet 5 inches; 2. Moyman (Sel.) 20 feet; 3. Pui King-kin (South China) 19.1 1/2; 4. Howkins (Milocarians) 18.9 1/2; 5. Stewart-Cox (Milocarians) 18.9 1/2.

Hop, Step & Jump (Sel.) 1. Moyman (Sel.) 41 feet 8 1/4 inches; 2. Dailywater (Sel.) 40.7; 3. Lee Wal-wo (South China) 40.0; 4. Shek Ka-lin (South China) 39.10; 5. Howkins (Milocarians) 38.9 1/2; 6. Stewart-Cox (Milocarians) 38.9 1/2.

Shot Put (Sel.) 37 feet 6 1/4 inches; 2. Chan Wai-chun (Sel.) 36.3 1/2; 3. Greer (Milocarians) 36.3 1/2; 4. Woodhead (Sel.) 35.9; 5. Ng Yin-fok (South China) 32.11.

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## "PLAY BALL" IN HIGH C



Helen Traubel of the Metropolitan Opera, and part owner of the St. Louis Browns, talks to coach John Tobin. It's obvious that the coach has just told the noted soprano something to her liking.

# Tennis League Season Opens This Afternoon By "ARGONAUT"

The 1951 Colony Tennis League season begins this afternoon with a programme of five Men's "B" Division and two Ladies' "B" Division matches. The Men's "B" Division, which will be a one-round affair, sees the clash between the CRC "1" and the CCC "1". The outcome of this match will have an important bearing on the Tai Hang club's bid to regain the championship from South China, their last year's conquerors.

With Choy Tin-wah, Lieu Kin-hong, Yu Tak-cheuk and Molan Chan as their nucleus, the Chinese Recreation Club are strongly favoured to win this afternoon's game, though not without the possibility of an upset.

K. C. Dao and V. T. Wang, and for that matter George Choa, are all eligible under the league rules to play in this

match, but it is doubtful if such obviously "A" players will be utilised by the CRC. It is likely that the remaining players will come from Morland Ma, Chung Yue-to, Pang Oi-lam, D. C. Luk or Au Kam-moon.

The Valley Club will field a stronger team than they had last year and with the advantage of playing on their home

court are expected to provide stern resistance to the favourites.

LADIES' GAMES

The Ladies' "B" League, which attracted five entries this year as compared to seven last year, will be played in two rounds.

United Services Recreation Club and Hongkong University are the missing teams.

Ladies' Recreation Club, the champions of last season, will be the guests of Revere "Blues" and will field a number of new players in this match. Among them are Mrs. P. Calderara, Mrs. W. M. Chalmers, Mrs. N.M.W. Harris and Mrs. K. B. Baker.

The Revere "Blues" will have most of their last year's players doing service for them again and although LRC's new talent has not been seen in action it is expected that their hard hitting will carry them through.

More interesting ladies' tennis should be provided at the Kowloon Cricket Club where the Cox's Road ladies are at home to the Craigengower Cricket Club.

The Valley Club have been reinforced by the re-inclusion this year of their two stalwarts, Mrs. Violet Fowler and Miss Rose Rumball, and are fielding this season practically the same team which won them the title in 1949.

Kowloon Cricket Club will also have a strong team out, including in their line-up Miss L. Coxall, Mrs. J. Lawes, Mrs. E. Horsman, Mrs. S. Groundwater and possibly Mrs. M. Pepperell, Mrs. E. Tebbutt, Mrs. Hancock or Miss Fisher. A close game should be seen with the odds in favour of Craigengower.

TODAY'S GAMES

Men's "B" Division

CRC "1" v Revere "Blues"

SOAA v HKCC

CCC "1" v CCC "2"

LRC v CCC "2"

Kowloon Tong (Bye)

Ladies' "B" Division

KCC v CCC

Revere "Blues" v LRC

Revere "Blues" (Bye)

Fanny Koen

May Run

At Helsinki

The Hague, Apr. 29. Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, Dutch winner of four gold medals at the London Olympics, intends to compete in the 1952 Games in Helsinki if her performance this season proves satisfactory.

A definite decision will not be made until the end of the season. Mrs. Blankers-Koen is not likely to accept invitations to run in Vienna on Whit Sunday and in Liverpool in May, her husband and coach, Jan Blankers-Koen, stated, as her husband had prevented her from training earlier.

# Double Victory For Golds In The All-Star Exhibition Matches By "GRANDSTAND"

The curtain was lowered on the official softball season yesterday with two all-star games in which the Gold sections scored a double victory over the Blues before a crowd of diehard fans who braved the scorching sun.

Frankie Barros' senior nine shaded the opposition 5-3 in a full nine-inning game while Y. S. Liang's minor loopers triumphed over Rene Sequeira's selection 4-0.

Both of the leaders in the Inter-Hong series suffered losses over the weekend when Gibbs succumbed to a 9-8 noseout by Lowe Bingham's after thirteen quelling innings, while China Light toppled Jardines by the identical score of 9-8.

A deadlock for the championship is now certain as five teams are now tied for the top slot, each with three losses against them, and one more game to go.

The season was wound up in a fitting manner as Junior League umpires handled the Senior game while the Seniors called the minor league tussle, and particular mention must be made of Frank Ewins who handled the plate assignment for both games without relaxation. Bill Silva, too, deserves a bouquet for officiating in Saturday's Inter-Hong 13-inning game without a murmur of protest.

SENIOR GAME

The Senior Championship and batting title having been won by the Blue section of the league, the Golds redeemed themselves when they outplayed the all-star Blues for a 5-3 verdict.

Vic Pedruco handled the pitching assignment for the winners, taking over the task after Jock Brown had opened the initial chapter, while Chapple Remedios of the Braves toiled for seven frames before the chore was passed on the pitcher Tony Kwok, but unfortunately Tony couldn't find the plate with sufficient frequency and was derided after he walked three of the five batters to face him.

Omund and Ma filed out, followed by Junior Remedios' grounder for a fruitless Blue first-inning attempt while the Golds drew first blood in their half when rookie Steven Xavier in the lead-off spot for the Golds teed off for a rousing single to centre which was mishandled to enable Xavier to make four bases on the hit.

The Blues fought back into the lead in the next semester when Rabbit Leung and Xavier lost two easy pop flies in the sun. Y. S. Liang forced Tsao at home but Carlos Yvanovich came through with a timely two-bagger to nudge two runs over the plate.

Fans were treated to an exhibition of tight fielding as neither side could score in the next frame. In the fourth stanza Golds slithered the lead on two bunched hits by Leung and Rene

Sequeira and it was then anyone's ballgame. The fifth, sixth and seventh rounds passed in quick order but in the eighth the fire-works started when Frank Correa and Jock Brown worked relief hurler Tony Kwok for a pair of passes to first base. Steven Xavier dropped a neat bunt and the snicks were loaded.

A wild pitch saw the equaliser sliding over the plate while a

off with Malcolm Cleme on the slob, finished with Bob Remedios taking over the hurling chore.

Jardines notched up three runs in the second frame to take a commanding lead, but in the third the China Lighters staged a six run uprising to reverse the advantage.

The final games of the series will be played this week, Shell meeting Gibbs this afternoon while Jardines will tangle with Gibbs on Wednesday. China Light's outstanding game against Secony will also take place on Wednesday.

MVP balloting will close tomorrow at 5 p.m., while entries to the coming summer loop should be in the hands of Mr. R. R. Sequeira, 25 Cameron Road, Kowloon, by this evening.

## SCORES AT A GLANCE

SENIOR LEAGUE ALL-STAR EXHIBITION

Gold 5 Blues 3

JUNIOR LEAGUE ALL-STAR EXHIBITION

Gold 4 Blues 0

INTER-HONG SERIES

L. Bingham's 9 Gibbs (13 innings)

Jardines 6 Shell 2

China Light 9 Jardines 8

EXHIBITION GAME

South China 3 U. S. Navy 1

subsequent double-play found the Golds ahead 3-0. Chapple Remedios was recalled and managed to stamp out the fire when Chan and Sequeira were retired easily.

The Blues had a chance to pull the game out of the fire in their final turn with the willow, but smart fielding enabled the Golds to protect their lead till the end.

Winning pitcher Vic Pedruco gave up three hits while hurler Chapple Remedios, who should have been credited with a win, yielded four blows.

In the junior all-star tilt, the Golds section outclassed the Blues when they shutout their rivals 4-0. Tony Rey on the mound for the winners pitched steadily ball to receiver Harry Louie to register a scoreless triumph, while Joey Graca on the rubber for the losers seemed to have lost a little of his former effectiveness and gave up too many damaging hits.

INTER-HONG

Inter-Hong fortunes were the talk of the weekend, as both Jardines and Gibbs, who were favoured to play off for the title, found themselves joining company with a trio of other teams when both outfields dropped close decisions.

In the case of Gibbs, the unwise step of relieving hurler Alf Malig in the early stages of the game, when they had set up a decent lead, proved to be their undoing for with strong-armed Gerry Roza-Pereira and Lionel Sequeira chucking the horseshoe everywhere but the strike-zone, the artful outfit from Lowe Bingham's soon levelled the count when the seventh frame was completed.

Neither side could break the tie and when Gibbs scored a run, the Auditors courted another.

In the 13th when Rene Barreto for Lowe Bingham's was obviously firing, Alf Garcia smacked out a liner over second base which outfielder Young muffed, and to make things worse the pellet evaded him and Garcia chalked up the tie-breaker.

In the bottom of the 13th frame, the first two batters were easy outs and when the third batter grounded to third base, the ballgame was as good as over, but then one of those things happened. Roza-Pereira who was jet-propelling them to first base, suddenly let up and lobbed a slow peg across for the final out, but as often happens, the slow ones are the trickiest.

The odds were still on Gibbs to bopch up another victory when determined Roberto Nunes singled to drive in the tying run. Another unexpected safe hit found Nunes crossing the plate with the winning run to match the game out of the fire at the eleventh hour.

Jardines hopes, which soared after Gibbs suffered a setback, were given a rude shock when China Light dumped them with a 9-8 shading to throw the flag chase wide open.

Playing careless ball, Jardines had two scoring chances in the opening chapter when Alvaro Xavier was called trying to stretch a double into three bases while Rene Pereira suffered a similar fate when he attempted an extra base after a solo hit.

Hurler Kelly Silva-Neto for Kwok lost some of the magic touch when he walked eight Electricians during the game while China Light, who started

## BASEBALL SCORES

New York, Apr. 29. Today's Major League baseball scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia 0 7 1

Boston 1 2 0

Philadelphia (2nd game) 10 14 2

Boston 9 15 0

Cincinnati 8 14 0

Pittsburgh 9 16 2

Cincinnati (2nd game) 1 3 0

Pittsburgh 1 5 1

St. Louis 6 9 0

Chicago 3 6 2

New York 3 9 0

Brooklyn 6 14 0

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Cleveland 3 9 0

St. Louis 6 6 2

Cleveland (2nd game) 11 16 0

St. Louis 13 15 0

Boston 12 15 2

Philadelphia 8 14 1

Boston Red Sox-Philadelphia Athletics (2nd game) was called at the end of the second inning. Boston was leading 6-0 but the game must be replayed from the start.

Chicago 4 12 2

Detroit 0 5 0

Washington 0 5 0

New York 4 7 0

United Press.

## Serge Girtskey To Give Farewell Exhibition

Prior to his departure for the United States, Serge Girtskey, the Colony Chess Champion, will play a simultaneous exhibition match against as many chess players as wish to participate.

This programme is set for Thursday, May 3, at the Peninsula Hotel, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and it is hoped that members of the Kowloon Chess Club will attend in numbers to help make the occasion a success.

At a Kowloon Chess Club Committee meeting held on April 19, it was decided to hold a decisive knockout lightning chess tournament on the first Thursday of every month. The first of these tournaments will be held on June 7, commencing at 6.30 p.m.

Six plastic portable chess sets have been purchased as prizes for these tournaments. Any individual member can win only one of these sets and should be successful in another tournament will receive another prize, the portable set going to the runner-up. An entry fee of \$1 will be charged for each tournament.

## BOTVINNIK WINS 19th GAME

London, Apr. 29. Moscow Radio reported that Mikhail Botvinnik, the title holder, had won the 19th game in the World Chess Championship in Moscow against the challenger, David Bronstein when it was played off to-day.

The game was adjourned from yesterday in a position of about equal chances for either player.

Botvinnik now leads by 10 points to nine.—Reuter.

## Home Cricket Season Starts

London, Apr. 28. A double century partnership between John Ikin and Geoffrey Edrich for the second wicket gave Lancashire a splendid start to the season at Oxford today.

They had scored 400 runs for three wickets at the close.

The left-hander Ikin, recently returned from the Commonwealth tour of India, made 162 runs. He reached his century in two hours and 40 minutes.

Edrich completed his century in 20 minutes less and brought his score to 115 runs before losing his wicket.

The MCC had a first wicket stand of 147 runs in their traditional opening match at Lords against Yorkshire.

W. G. Kellagher, leading the MCC against his own team, these runs, and Jack Robertson, his partner, made 83.



## HOME SOCCER REVIEW

## SPURS MAKE SURE OF THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

London, Apr. 28.

Tottenham Hotspur, with a single goal victory over Sheffield Wednesday, made sure today of winning the Football League Championship.

Thus they have equalled the achievements of Everton (1931 and 1932), and Liverpool (1905 and 1906) by carrying off the Second Division title and the League Championship in successive seasons.

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Tottenham's winning goal came in the first half through Len Duquemin. Only luck and fine goal-keeping by Metcalfe in the second half saved Sheffield Wednesday from a heavier defeat, for the Spurs' forwards found their best form and hammered in shot after shot.

Even the Tottenham right-back, Alf Ramsey, nearly scored with a long shot. Tottenham's success must have been a bitter disappointment to Wednesday and also to Manchester United. The Sheffield club are struggling to avoid relegation and Manchester United, who were Spurs only challengers, made a splendid bid for honours with a 6-0 defeat of Huddersfield.

Rotherham United, runners up in the Third Division Northern in 1947 have at last achieved their ambition of reaching League II status. Their win at Lincoln today assured them of promotion.

Nottingham Forest, now seem virtually certain of promotion from the Third Division South. While they were winning comfortably against Southend, their closest rivals, Norwich City, virtually dropped out of the hunt by losing to their neighbours Ipswich. This was the first home defeat of the season for Norwich, who now stand three points behind Notts Forest with only two games to play.

RELEGATION SETTLED. One relegation issue was settled today. By taking a point from Coventry, Luton kept their place in the Second Division at the expense of Chesterfield, whose achievement in drawing at Southampton does not prevent them from going down with Grimsby.

The question of which clubs will be relegated from the First Division still remains to be settled, and the goal-average may be called upon to decide between Everton, Chelsea and Sheffield Wednesday.

Today, both Chelsea and Everton gained unexpected away wins, and Sheffield Wednesday's defeat sends them once again to the bottom place. A great deal hinges on the result of Everton's visit to Wednesday next week. Chelsea's opponents are Bolton Wanderers.

Fighting for first Division places are Manchester City and Cardiff, both vying for second place behind Preston North End in Division II.

CITY'S CHANCES. Manchester City improved their chances with a goalless draw on the Sheffield United ground while Cardiff were losing at Leeds, and the Manchester club now lead Cardiff by one point and have a game in hand.

Two clubs are already sure of having to seek re-election to the Southern section. They are Watford and Crystal Palace, who drew today. This is the second time in only three seasons that the Palace have finished in the last pair.

There was a remarkable finish to the Scottish season. Apart from Falkirk, who were certain of relegation, five other clubs stood in danger in Division "A".

Airdrieonians ended their worries in a sensational fashion by trouncing Falkirk by 11 goals to one, and Motherwell beat the Scottish Cup finalists, Motherwell by five goals to nil. The only club of the quarter who didn't win were Clyde, and they must accompany Falkirk to the "B" Division.

## Festival Rugby Union Match

London, Apr. 29.

The first representative Rugby Union match in connection with the Festival of Britain has been arranged for Rectory Field, Blackheath's ground, on Saturday, September 15.

The match will be England and Scotland against Wales and Ireland, and has been organised by Mr D. J. Eaton, town clerk of Greenwich, who formerly played for London Welsh and North—Reuter.

Promoted in their places are Queen of the South and Stirling Albion.—Reuter.

## LEAGUE STANDINGS

London, Apr. 29.

The following are the Football League standings in respect of League matches played yesterday:

First Division	Goals
Tottenham	41 24 10 7 29 43
Manchester U.	41 24 7 10 73 39 55
Blackpool	41 24 7 10 73 39 55
Middlesbrough	41 18 11 12 70 64 47
Arsenal	41 18 9 14 72 66 43
Bolton	41 18 13 11 74 64 43
Birmingham	41 18 13 11 74 64 43
Portsmouth	41 18 13 11 74 64 43
Liverpool	41 18 13 11 74 64 43
Sheff Wed	41 14 14 13 47 41 42
Stoke	41 13 14 14 48 53 40
Sunderland	41 12 13 14 63 73 39
Derby	41 10 18 19 74 74 38
Coventry	41 10 17 19 74 74 38
West Brom	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Fulham	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Charlton	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Huddersfield	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Aston Villa	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Wolves	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Chelsea	41 11 17 19 74 74 38
Sheff Wed	41 11 17 19 74 74 38

Second Division	Goals
Preston N.E.	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Manchester C.	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Birmingham	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Cardiff	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Leeds	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Blackburn	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Coventry	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Brentford	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Sheff U.	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Dunfermline	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Hull City	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Wrexham	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Southampton	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Barnley	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Leicester	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Queens P.R.	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Swansea	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Luton	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Bury	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Sheff Wed	42 26 5 11 91 49 57
Grimsby	42 26 5 11 91 49 57

Third Division (Southern)	Goals
Notts F.C.	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Norwich	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Reading	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Plymouth	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Bristol R.	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Millwall	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Southend	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Ipswich	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Bournemouth	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Bristol City	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Newport	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Brighton	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Port Vale	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Carlisle	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Swindon	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Colchester	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Leyton Orient	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Walsal	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Torquay	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Aldershot	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Gillingham	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Wintford	42 27 10 12 83 37 64
Crystal Pal.	42 27 10 12 83 37 64

Third Division (Northern)	Goals
Rotherham	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Manfield	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Carlisle	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Lincoln	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Tranmere	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Bradford	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Gateshead	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
Crew	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
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Sheff X.	44 29 9 9 97 40 67
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Scottish Division "A"	Goals
Hibernians	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Dundee	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Hearts	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Aberdeen	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Fairlie	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Celtic	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Rathfriland	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Motherwell	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
East Fife	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
St. Mirren	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Greenock	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Third Lanark	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Airdrie	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Clyde	29 21 4 4 75 45 46
Falkirk	29 21 4 4 75 45 46

Scottish Division "B"	Goals
Queen O.S.	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Stirling	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Arbroath	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Dundee	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
St. Johnstone	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Queen's Park	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Hamilton	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Albion	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Dumfries	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Dunfermline	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Cowdenbeath	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Greenock	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Arbroath	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Forfar	30 21 3 6 69 35 45
Stenhousemuir	30 21 3 6 69 35 45

## ADDITIONAL RESULTS

London, Apr. 28.

The following were results of football matches played today, with late kick-offs.

Division I	Goals
Bolton W	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Barnsley	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Division III (Southern)	Goals
Torquay United	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Division III (Northern)	Goals
Sheff Wed	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff U.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff C.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff F.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff W.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
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Sheff H.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff I.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff J.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff K.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff L.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff M.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff N.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
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Sheff V.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff W.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff X.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff Y.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4
Sheff Z.	4 1 0 0 4 0 4

## Harlem Globetrotters Want To Tour Countries Behind The Iron Curtain

Washington, Apr. 29.

The famous Harlem Globetrotters basketball team has asked the Russian government for permission to tour behind the Iron Curtain.

The idea came from Bill Veeck, former president of the Cleveland (Ohio) Baseball Club, who is helping to promote the Globetrotters' European tour which opens on May 14 in London.

Veeck wants the Trotters to play basketball not only in Moscow but elsewhere in Russia, Rumania and Czechoslovakia.

He is also conferring with officials at the Yugoslav Embassy about having the Negro team perform before Uncle Joe Stalin's arch enemy, Marshal Tito.

"We were told last year in Europe," Veeck said, "that the basketball teams in Western Europe were behind the Iron Curtain. We want to play the best Europe has to offer."

"The State Department thought it was a good idea," said the happy Mr Veeck.

"SPLENDID TREATMENT" He went to the Russian, Czech and Yugoslav embassies and they all received what he called "splendid treatment."

"They all seemed to be enthused with the idea," he said. This does not mean that it is certain the foreign offices back in Moscow, Prague, Bucharest and Belgrade are going to approve the idea. But at least it's a good start, thinks Veeck.

The tour behind the Iron Curtain would be in addition to the 100-plus game tour co-promoted by Abe Saperstein and Veeck through South America, Europe and North Africa.

"Our top crowd last year was 17,500 in Genoa, Italy," Veeck said.

"They were really interested in basketball over there and we hope they will be more interested this year."

Last year the 77-game tour in Europe and North Africa drew 504,000 fans. The Trotters and their circus-style basketball won 76 games against one loss.

Veeck contends they have not lost the touch this year.

THE AGA KHAN'S FRAISE du Bois II will not run in the Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket on Wednesday.

His trainer, H. Wragg, will saddle Royal Serenade (with E. C. Elliott up) and Bakshishi (with C. Smirke up).

P. Maher rides The Champ, with W. T. Evans up on El Prince and Doug Smith on El Ayashy. W. Marland has as his mount Whinsaire and T. Hawcroft will ride Calumet.

Lester Piggott has been engaged to ride Judith Paris in the One Thousand Guineas on Friday.

Announcement, Lester Piggott's mount for the Two Thousand Guineas, ridden a foreleg yesterday, Ken Cuddeh, the colt's trainer, said: "I am hopeful that he will be able to run on Wednesday."

Tommy Laurey has been engaged to ride Turk's Reliance.—Reuter.

MARK HART'S NEXT London, Apr. 29.

Mark Hart, of Croydon, a leading contender for the British Lightweight boxing title held by Don Cockell, is to fight George Hunter, the holder of the South African Cruiserweight Championship, in Johannesburg on May 26.

Hart will leave for South Africa this week. He will be accompanied by his wife. Hunter participated in the 1948 Olympic Games.

At first it was hoped by the South African promoters that Cockell could be persuaded to go to South Africa and fight Hunter but the British Champion will

## THE GAMBOLS



## STRONG AUSTRALIAN SWIMMING TEAM LIKELY AT HELSINKI

Melbourne.

Australia's swimming team for the 1952 Helsinki Olympic Games is likely to be the strongest ever to represent this country.

Besides the world record holder, John Marshall, and Garrick Agnew, the recent Australian championships here have shown that a number of swimmers are in the world class.

Foremost is 15-year-old Barry Darke. Experts predict that in 12 months' time Darke will improve on his recent times.

Australia's No. 1 sprint swimmer, Frank O'Neill, who finished behind France's Alex Jany at the championships, already has a serious rival in 15-year-old Rex Aubrey.

Aubrey has clocked 62 secs. for the 110 yards and it is expected that during the coming season he will join the select band of Australian swimmers who have swum the distance in under a minute.

In the breaststroke division Australia has two good Olympic prospects in Ron Sharpe and Dave Hawkins, both British Empire champions.

Judy Joy Davies won this year's Bennett Award for women. She has been swimming for 14 seasons, but is still improving her times.

TWO OTHER WOMEN SWIMMERS, Margaret Pascall, who finished ahead of Holland's Geertje Gaillard, and Denise Norton, who beat the European ace, Inna Schumacher, also appear to have winning chances at Helsinki.

If an Australian team were to be selected for the 1952 Games it would be like this: John Marshall, Judy Davies, Marjorie McQuade, Ron Faulds and John Uren (Victoria); Barry Darke, Barry Kellaway, Frank O'Neill, Joe McCann, Ron Sharpe, Dave Hawkins and Rex Aubrey (New South Wales);

Garry Agnew and Margaret Pascall (Western Australia); and Denise Norton (South Australia).—Reuter.

## Hassan Hassanein Beats Von Nida In Cairo Match

Cairo, Apr. 29.

Norman Von Nida, Australian Golf Champion, was beaten by one hole today in a brilliant 36 holes final of the Egyptian match play tournament here.

His conqueror was Hassan Hassanein, the Egyptian Open Champion, who like Von Nida is to play in Britain during the summer.

Both played almost flawless golf on the Gezira Sporting Club course.

They were all square at the end of the first round.

Von Nida, three down at one stroke, reduced his arrears to one hole at the 17th.

A putt, which if successful would have given him an eagle three at the 18th to square the match, rimmed the cup and just stayed out.—Reuter.

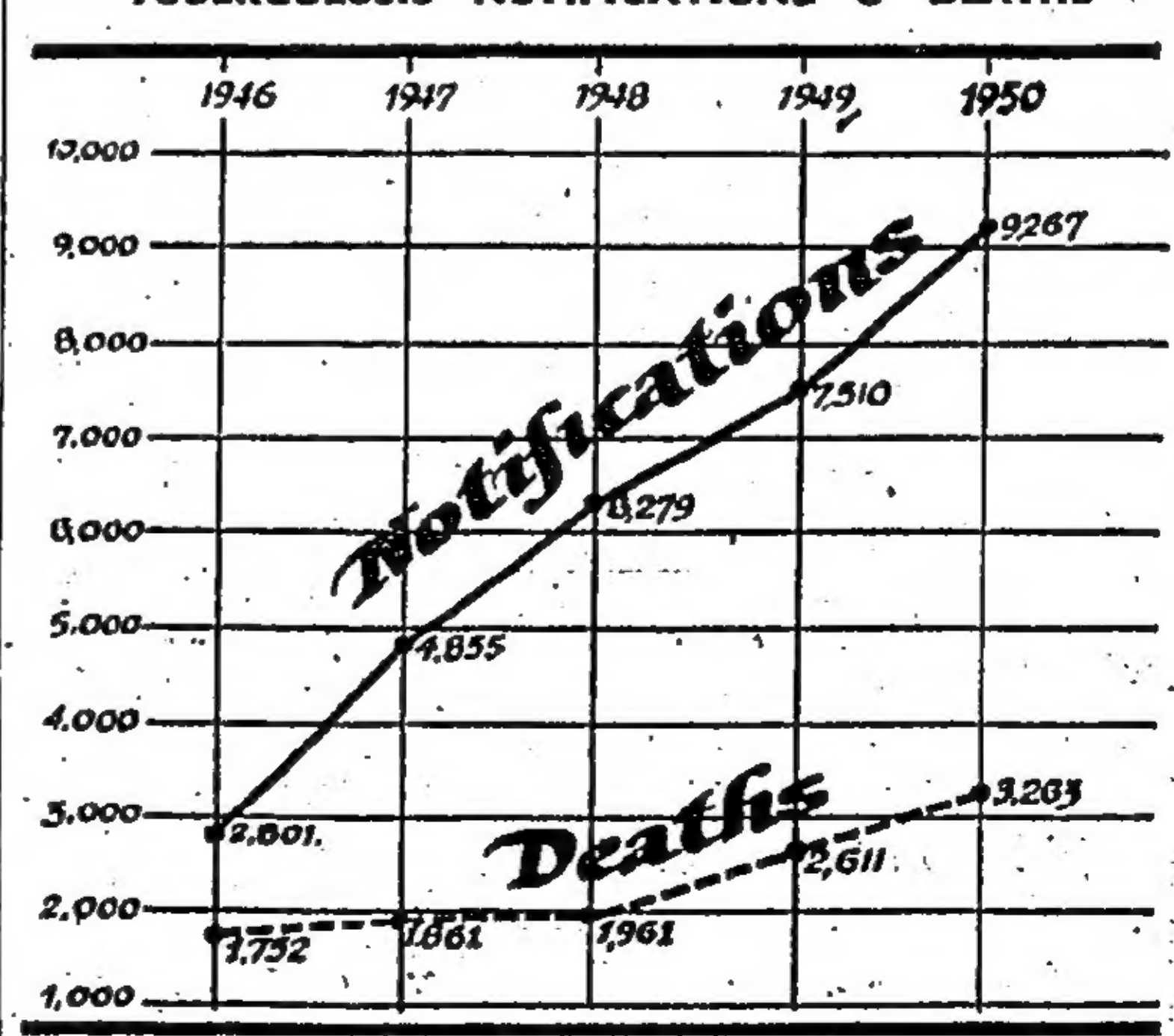
## Chelsea Beat Copenhagen

Copenhagen, Apr. 29.

Chelsea who are involved in a desperate relegation struggle in the English First Division, beat a combined Copenhagen side 2-1 here this afternoon.

The London Club led 1-0 at half-time.—Reuter.

## TUBERCULOSIS NOTIFICATIONS &amp; DEATHS



These are the actual cases and deaths reported. Many cases are not notified for one reason or another, and Tuberculosis is such a slow killing disease that many victims return to their native villages to die and are never reported. The actual numbers suffering from the disease and dying as a result thereof, must be many times greater than the official figures.

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"SHANGHAI"	Keelung	5 p.m. 4th May
"YOHOW"	Bangkok	5 p.m. 9th May
"SHANGHAI"	Keelung	5 p.m. 10th May
"FOYANG"	Tsingtao & Tientsin	3 p.m. 10th May

## ARRIVALS FROM

"SHANGHAI"	Keelung	7 a.m. 3rd May
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"TAIYUAN"	Japan	20th May
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"BELLEROPHON"	Dublin & Liverpool	25th May
"ANTIOCHUS"	Genoa, Rotterdam & London	27th May

Scheduled sailings from Europe

Sails	Sails	Arrives
"BELLEROPHON"	Liverpool 21st Mar.	Hong Kong 21st Mar.
"MARON"	31st Mar.	— In Port 1st May
"ANTIOCHUS"	5th Apr.	8th May
"MYRMIDON"	13th Apr.	16th May
"S. AUTOLYCUS"	25th Apr.	30th May
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"BENAVON"	London, Antwerp & Hull	30th Apr.
"BENVENUE"	Liverpool, Dublin & Rotterdam	14th May
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## NOTICE

### PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 17th May, 1951, at 12 noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1951, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 1st May to the 17th May, 1951, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON LIMITED,  
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Hongkong, 26th April, 1951.

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Hongkong, 26th April, 1951.

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#### Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Union Building, Hongkong, on Thursday, 24th May, 1951 at 11.30 a.m., to receive the Directors' Report and the Statement of Accounts, to declare a dividend and to transact the ordinary business of the Society.

The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 5th May to 24th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
L. B. STONE,  
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Hongkong, 20th April, 1951.

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## British Investments In India

New Delhi, Apr. 29.  
Britain is the only foreign country which has investments in India's cotton textile industry, Industry Minister H.K. Mahabadi said.  
British investments total \$20,000,000.  
Mills in which the British hold financial interests produced 15.2 per cent of India's total yarn in 1949, Mr. Mahabadi said, and 8.2 per cent of the cloth production.  
Their output totalled 181,000,000 pounds of yarn and 302,000,000 pounds of cloth.—Associated Press.

## World Bank Earnings

Washington, Apr. 29.  
The World Bank today reported increased net earnings for the nine-month period which ended on March 31 last—\$11,468,230 compared to \$9,856,956 for the corresponding period in 1950.  
The whole of the Bank's net income was placed in the general reserve against losses on loans and guarantees increasing the reserve to \$38,481,500.

Gross income for the nine-month period ending March 31 was \$20,567,859 after \$4,723,859 in loan commissions was deducted. This sum was appropriated to the special reserve, which then totalled \$18,461,004. The gross income for the corresponding period in 1950 was \$18,768,063.—Reuter.

## Egypt-Jordan Trade Pact

Cairo, Apr. 29.  
An Egyptian-Jordanian trade agreement was drafted today by which Jordan would allow Egypt to build up the Jordanian port of Akaba into a well-equipped commercial centre. The agreement would also encourage Egyptian capital to invest in Jordan.—United Press.

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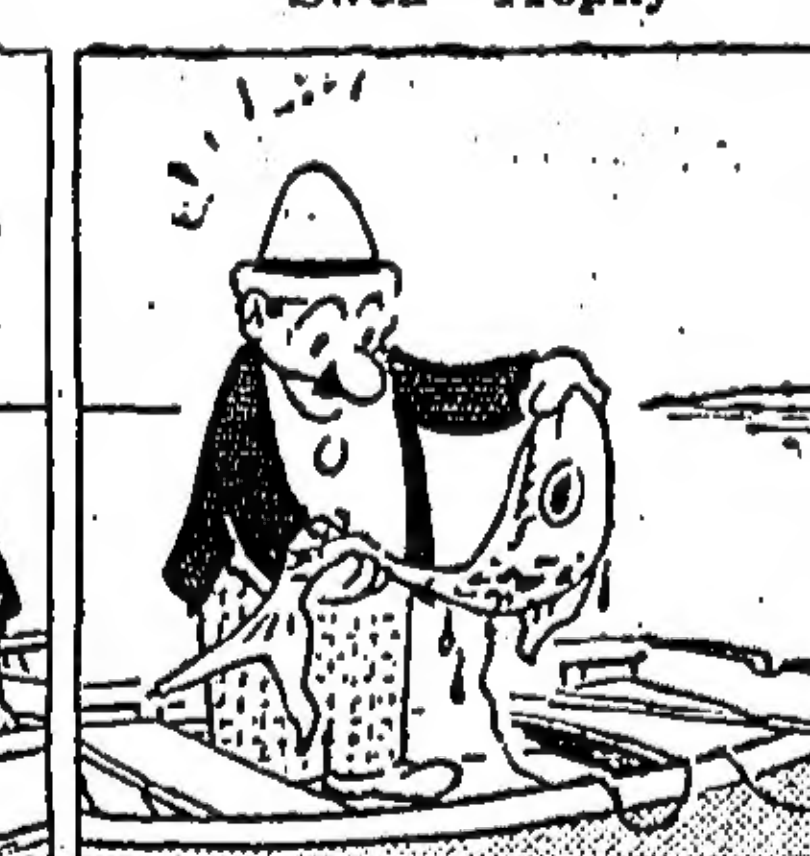
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## Share Levels Highest In 20 Years

New York, Apr. 28.  
President Truman's remark that the nation will not reach the peak of inflation until this autumn shot the stock market up to the best level of 20 years this week.

However, prior to the release of the President's message to Congress on Thursday, the market as a whole was displaying a considerable amount of strength.

Industrial dominated dealings throughout the week. A sharp advance in this group as measured by the averages moved that component to its best level since June 6, 1930. Rails, however, were still well under their highs.

Gains in the oil section were extremely wide. Improvement of more than 2 points each was scored by a number of issues in this group.

Chemical stocks skyrocketed on Friday. Railroad equities were quiet throughout the week. However, some carriers showed gains of almost 2 points.—United Press.

## Japanese Cheer Hirohito

Tokyo, Apr. 29.  
A steady stream of Japanese moved across the double-arched bridge of the Imperial Palace in Tokyo today despite light rain and gusty winds as the nation paid tribute to Emperor Hirohito on his 50th birthday. The Emperor made several brief appearances in a black morning suit before the crowd on Sunday morning and waved his grey felt hat from the balcony of the Imperial Palace. The Emperor's appearance in response to their cheers.—United Press.

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# Industrial Output In US At New Highs

New York, Apr. 29. Industrial production climbed to record levels last week in the face of new Government regulations that businessmen and industrialists viewed with a slightly jaundiced eye.

Crude oil production of 6,060,800 barrels was a record high.

Freight carloadings were the highest since Nov. 18 last. The 801,520 cars loaded reflected the rapid rate at which goods were moving.

The nation's steel mills were operating at 103.3 per cent of rated capacity.

Engineering awards aggregated \$284,601,000, better than the previous week's \$220,597,000.

Corporate earnings for the first quarter continued to make good reading. But higher taxes and increased production costs were being felt more.

Several larger corporations reported smaller profits on larger sales. Many industrialists forecast lesser earnings in the coming quarters.

President Harry Truman's 18-member Wage Stabilisation Board did not make business and industry any happier. The Board has the power to recommend settlement of a wide variety of labour-management disputes affecting the defence programme.

Management wants the Board restricted to consideration of strictly economic disputes such as those over pay.

**SOME ANXIETY**  
Government wage controls appeared due for an overhauling now that the Wage Board has been established. Industry is a little anxious over the results.

During the week Economic Stabiliser Eric Johnston approved a six cents an hour increase for 1,000,000 railroad workers even though it went beyond the Government's 10 per cent ceiling on pay raises.

Mr. Johnston said special consideration had been given the rail workers because under the Railway Labour Act it takes longer for them to win new contract objectives.

Department store sales over the nation just crept above a year ago and in some specific sections declined.

The decline in sales in cities where celebrations were held for General Douglas MacArthur was attributed in part to interest in the celebration.

The Government reported the general level of farm prices dropped about two-thirds of one per cent during the month ended April 15.

Wholesale food prices, however, turned upward for the first time in seven weeks.

Retail food prices for the most part were reported at ceiling levels.

# ACTIVITY IN METAL MARKETS

New York, Apr. 29. The volume of new Government orders controlling metals declined a little this week. But activity in the markets continued brisk as ever, with demand intense and prices steady.

Priority metals like copper, lead and zinc are not covered by the General Manufacturers' Price Ceiling Regulation issued on May 28. Also excluded are all metal alloys, secondary metals and scrap, ores, metal powders and rolled, drawn or extruded metals and alloys which have not been further fabricated.

The order does affect about 7,000 manufacturing firms which produce thousands of different products including goods made from metal. These companies are to have their new ceilings on the highest prices charged in the period between April 1 and June 24, 1950, or they may choose instead any one of the three preceding calendar quarters as a base period.

The National Production Authority eased its inventory limits on columbium and tantalum. Maximum stocks now are 45 days' supplies instead of the previous 30 days.

The NPA also relaxed its restrictions on cadmium to allow use of the anti-corrosion metal for certain aircraft and automotive parts in which no suitable substitutes have been found.

Manly Fleischmann, NPA chief, hopes to issue the first orders in the coming week actually instituting the new Controlled Materials Plan for allocating steel, copper and aluminum. The CMP will undertake to portion out these three metals to military and defence supporting users starting on July 1.

Mr. Fleischmann told a news conference the NPA hopes that complete rationing of the metals to all users can be avoided, barring all-out war. Climbing aluminum and steel production by the end of the year will help, he said, but the copper situation is more acute because no significant new production is in sight. He indicated that full allocation of copper might be needed by the end of 1951 if the consumers' scramble for it gets too wild.

## LEAD CONTROLS?

Lead producers have completed their allocations for delivery in May and the tonnages are reported to be considerably below what their customers wanted. Defence order priority business was well over anticipations.

Some estimate it ran 30 to 40 per cent of the domestic supply, compared with the 20 per cent set-aside required by the NPA for May lead.

This situation may bring on stricter controls for lead. Some authorities believe the metal may even be put under the Controlled Materials Plan.

No let-up was seen in the urgent demand for zinc. Prices in the foreign market ranged upward from 29 cents a pound, against the quotation here of 17 1/2 cents.

The nation's two largest steel companies told news conferences this week they are getting along all right without manganese from Russia, one of the U.S. main sources of the essential steel-hardening material. Associated Press.

# Cotton Price Falters In New York

New York, Apr. 28. Cotton futures prices faltered today after rising sharply in the previous session. After a steady opening in reduced dealings, the market immediately ran into profit-taking with the volume expanding. Nearby May held at the ceiling level of 45.39 cents a pound.

At the close, the market ruled unchanged to 17 points lower. The New Orleans cotton market closed unchanged to 18 points lower. Traders focused their attention on developments on the Korean battlefield.

Today is the last Saturday trading session for the New York Cotton Exchange until Sept. 8. Starting next week and continuing until Oct. 1, the market will defer its daily opening until 10.30 a.m. because of daylight saving time.

Prices closed as follows:-  
Spot 45.39  
May 45.39  
July 45.39  
October 45.39  
December 45.39  
March 1952 45.39  
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# Materials Shortage Critical But Won't Kill Defence Plans

## Gloomy Forecasts Refuted

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Apr. 29.

Any discussion of the raw materials crisis, which this week provided an excuse for the resignation of three members of the Government, is in danger of becoming bogged down in political controversy. The difficulty is, of course, in deciding where the economic argument ends and political bias begins.

What one can answer on purely economic grounds, however, is the argument advanced by Mr Aneurin Bevan that the defence programme is "already dead" because we cannot hope to get raw materials needed to carry it out, and also Mr Harold Wilson's gloomy forecast that "today British industry stands disorganised and threatened by paralysis" because of raw material shortages.

Mr George Strauss, Minister of Supply, attempted to reply to these arguments this week-end. He said nothing had changed since the defence programme was first announced by the Prime Minister three months ago.

This is perfectly true but it is not a very convincing argument. If nothing has happened in the last three months to make the situation worse, it is equally true that nothing has happened to make it any better.

We are still without an assurance of reasonable supplies of raw materials to carry out the defence programme, maintain our exports and provide for the production of the most essential civilian requirements.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the hope that Mr Strauss placed in the outcome of the Washington commodity talks seemed a little flattered round the edges.

But if these talks have not yet produced the results that were expected of them, it is hardly the reason to talk about the defence programme being "already dead." Nor is it evidence to support the charge that British industry "stands disorganised."

The Washington commodity talks have made lamentably slow progress. They have, to use "The Economist's" words, "put in a series of statistical exercises all of which may be expected to show that there is a critical shortage of materials."

What seems to be lacking is a will to co-operate, and blame for this lies equally on both sides of the Atlantic. Tin and rubber—two of the principal Sterling Area commodities—are not within the scope of the present series of talks, but international conferences on both have recently been held. Both failed—not because there was any disagreement on the need to regulate supplies of these commodities but because the differences between producers and consumers on long-term price guarantees could not be reconciled.

**BIG FACTOR**  
The difference between the "shortage" of tin and rubber and the shortage of other essential defence materials is that the former are almost entirely the result of American stockpiling. It may be that the effect of stockpiling on these and other commodities has been exaggerated for political reasons but this is a factor which cannot be left out of account in any discussion of raw material shortages.

But despite all the publicity which has been given to this question of raw material shortages the fact remains that the British defence programme is far from being dead.

Import figures for raw materials during the first quarter of this year have many encouraging features. We actually increased our imports of such vital defence materials as copper, zinc, nickel, chrome, ores, rubber, sulphur, crude petroleum and hard fibres over the corresponding period of last year.

But imports of other essential commodities—lead, tungsten ores, tin concentrates, molybdenum ores, manganese ores and cobalt—fell sharply. This is certainly not a satisfactory situation and it argues for the need of international action, but it does not paint a picture as black as Messrs Bevan and Wilson have led many people to believe.

One commodity shortage which does threaten to disorganise industry is that of sulphur, and Mr Wilson was right to call special attention to it shortly before his resignation. But this week it was announced that America has allocated Britain enough sulphur for the first six months of this year to avert the "unparalleled disaster" envisaged by Mr Wilson.

The danger might be permanently avoided if plans to economise in the use of sulphur and to develop the substitution of other materials are carried out vigorously and without delay.

These arguments are not an attempt to gloss over what is really a most critical situation facing Britain at the outset of the "unparalleled" defence effort. A great deal still depends on the degree of international co-

operation attained by the Washington commodity talks. This will involve not only the defence programme, but also our exports and the production of the most essential civilian requirements.

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# HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning totalled \$208,177.80. Noon prices and the half day's transactions were:-

SEASIDE BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS		
East Asia	102	
Union	740	115 @ 750
INSURANCES		
Asia Nav.	90c	4000 @ 1
DOCS, ETC.		
M. P. Wharf	5.10	500 @ 12 1/2
Land		
Wheelock	22	226 @ 22 1/2
LAND, ETC.		
IPC Hotel	39	5.70
Shai Land	1.05	
UTILITIES		
C. Light (O)	0.10	1000 @ 0.15
C. Light (N)	0.350	604 @ 0.355
C. Light (B)	5.90	500 @ 5.90
Electric	23	23 1/2 @ 23
Tel. (New)	0.10	
INDUSTRIALS		
Commerce	10 1/2	10 1/2
Stores, ETC.		
Dairy	12 1/2	2000 @ 12
Wells	17 1/2	500 @ 17 1/2
L. Crawford	22	
COTTONS		
Ewo		2.60

# Point Four Assistance

Washington, Apr. 29. Dr. Charalambos Stephanides, Turkish-born livestock specialist and agricultural economist, will leave on Monday for Iran to work in that nation's agricultural development programme, the Agriculture Department announced today.

Dr. Stephanides, naturalised American, who has spent eight years at similar work in Greece, has been assigned to Iran under the American Point Four programme of sharing technical information and experience with other countries. His chief duty in Iran will be in agricultural, health and educational programmes now under way at the village level.—United Press.

# Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local official exchange market this morning at the following rates:-  
Sterling note (per £) 15.70  
U.S. dollars (per \$1) 0.1175  
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SIC piastres (per 100) 14.10

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"TUTWANGI"	13th May	17th May
"VAN HEUTSZ"	20th May	

MANILA, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA and SOUTH AMERICA	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TEGELBERG"	8th May	17th May
"TIMMENTING"	15th May	
"TITKAMPEK"	15th May	
"RUYS"	15th May	Early July

JAPAN	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"TASMAN"	late May	8th May
"TEGELBERG"	15th May	
"TITKAMPEK"		21st May
"RUYS"	Early July	Mid June
"VAN HEUTSZ"		21st May

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